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'The public voice must be heard'

THE people of Newmarket should be able to have their say on the applications for supermarkets proposed for the town.

That is the message for Forest Heath District Council bosses who want to hold two out of the three decision-making meetings in private.

Morrisons, Asda, Tesco and Sainsbury's have all submitted bids for stores, which will be decided together at an extraordinary meeting on May 22.

However the preliminary meetings will be private, with a formal briefing for committee members on April 24 and a presentation by applicants on May 9.

Calls for the meetings to be held in public were made by members of Newmarket Town Council on Monday.

Cllr Mick Jefferys said:

■ LIZZY BUCHAN

"It remains that the first two meetings will be for councillors only and the last will be for the public. I think that is a real shame."

His sentiments were echoed by Cllr Peter Hulbert who said: "Whatever we do on this, if we don't have the public there you will get people coming back to you with complaints."

Cllr Keith Bovill proposed writing to district council to express their concerns.

He said: "I think with all the mistrust issues that have gone on recently, I think it's important for people to be able to sit and listen to what is going."

A spokesperson for Forest Heath said: "The reason that the meetings are for members only is to ensure that, as decision makers, they are fully briefed on national and local planning policy and the requirements on developers in putting their case forward.

"The members will not be able to question developers, only hear from them. The full debate will take place in public on May 22."

The applications on the table are for a bigger Tesco in Fordham Road, a Sainsbury's on the George Lambton Playing Fields, an Asda behind Fitzroy Stables and Morrisons in Exning Road.

■ What do you think about the supermarket proposals? Email *lizzy.buchan@cambridge-news.co.uk* or write to Newmarket News, 15 High Street, Newmarket, CB8 8LX. You can also comment on our website: *www.newmarket-news.co.uk*

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All creatures cute and cuddly

FIVE-year-old Poppy James got to grips with some baby lambs at French Hall Farm, in Moulton, on Sunday.

Children and adults were able to cuddle up to the woolly wonders for the traditional Lambing Sunday event, which is held every two years in aid of charity.

Visitors even got the chance to see some lambs being born and talk to the farmer about lambing season.

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Ban handed to head lad after assault

■ LIZZY BUCHAN

A RACING worker has been banned for a year from every licensed premises in England and Wales following a violent attack in a pub.

Andrew O'Connor, known within the racing industry as Irish Andy, broke his victim's nose and inflicted facial bruising in the incident on August 8 last year.

Ipswich Crown Court heard yesterday how, with a single blow to the face, O'Connor knocked Nasrullah Khan to the ground and then stamped on him.

The attack took place inside the Waggon and Horses pub in High Street, Newmarket, shortly before 10pm, said prosecutor Michael Crimp.

O'Connor, 37, of Nimbus Way, in Newmarket, who has worked in racing for 14 years and is now a head lad, pleaded guilty to assault causing actual bodily harm.

In addition to the licensed premises ban, which includes pubs, bars, clubs and restaurants, O'Connor was sentenced to 14 months' imprisonment suspended for 12 months.

He must also pay Mr Khan £600 compensation and £1,000 towards the costs of the prosecution.

The court heard how O'Connor had drunk 12 pints of cider on the night of the incident and had little recollection of what took place.

However CCTV footage taken from inside the pub showed the attack.

Declan Gallagher, mitigating, said O'Connor had expressed genuine remorse and the attack had not been premeditated.

O'Connor had no previous convictions for violence and the incident was said to have been "out of character".

Mr Gallager said there may have been a degree of provocation involving Mr Khan who had gone "face to face" with the defendant a short while earlier.

Sentencing him, Judge Rupert Overbury told O'Connor: "This can be viewed, in my judgment, as an isolated incident."

Judge Overbury said that aggravating factors included the fact the incident took place in a public place, that O'Connor had been so drunk and the possibility there was a degree of provocation involved.

NO MESSING: Dog walkers could face large fines if they allow their pets to foul Aspal Close nature reserve in Beck Row. Dog walkers met with environmental health officers, PCSOs and SNT representatives on Friday

Clean up: or face a £1,000 fine

DOG walkers could face a £1,000 fine if they don't clean up after their pets.

Forest Heath District Council has launched a new order to tackle the problem of dog fouling in Aspal Close Nature Reserve, in Beck Row.

The new Fouling of the Land by Dogs (Aspal Close) Order 2013 came into effect on Friday, making it an offence for a dog walker to not clean up after their pet.

Council environmental health officers and police community support officers will have the power to issue £1,000 fixed penalty notices at the site.

Responsible dog walkers came to the nature reserve last week to show their support for the new initiative to keep the green free from dog mess.

Environmental health officers, Police community support officers and representatives from nearby Safer Neighbourhood Teams were on hand to speak to members of the public and to raise awareness of the new fines.

Pupils at nearby Beck Row Primary School put pen to paper for a competition to design a colourful sign highlighting the new order.

The winning entry was drawn by 11-year-old Lauren Rodgers, whose artistic efforts will be proudly displayed at the Beck Row reserve.

Jaynes Florist
is closing on 23rd March 2013
Trading will continue as normal in the main shop at
Bouquets of Newmarket,
located adjacent to the clock tower, where flowers, chocolates and sundries are sold and delivered locally and also nationally and internationally through Interflora.
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Get help to keep your house warm

FUNDS are still available for people who need help heating their homes.

The Warm Homes, Healthy People project has helped over 50 households in East Cambridgeshire with discounted boiler servicing and emergency repairs.

The joint initiative between East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC) and Care and Repair is supported by £10,000 of funding from the Department of Health.

Yvonne Thresh, manager at Care and Repair said: "The project has been a fantastic success and it has been great to be involved again.

"Although this project closes at the end of the month, the work that Care and Repair do will be continuing as part of the district council's services, so please get in touch if there are any work that we can assist with."

Rachel Doyle, energy efficiency officer at ECDC, said: "We have experienced a very cold January and February so it has been good to be able to help those people who would have struggled otherwise.

"There is still a small amount of money left to help please so please get in touch if you think you might qualify for support."

To apply to the scheme, applicants must own their own home, have not had their boiler serviced in the last 12 months and the household should include someone over 65 or children under 5.

Call (01353) 723777 before the end of March.

Views needed on town future

RESIDENTS can give feedback on a public consultation into the future of Newmarket.

The Prince's Foundation for Building Communities will compile a draft Newmarket Vision report based on feedback from the public sessions held in the town two weeks ago.

Suffolk County Council, Forest Heath District Council and Newmarket Town Council commissioned the organisation to run workshops for the public and local organisations to gather a range of view on how Newmarket should develop.

There is still time for members of the public to give feedback on any of the work done to date.

A copy of the presentation, which was delivered to a public meeting on February 28, is available at *www.forest-heath.gov.uk/newmarketvision*.

Anyone with comments can send them to *toby.roycroft@princes-foundation.org*.

The Prince's Foundation's draft report will be presented to all three council partners by the end of April.

A final version expected by the end of mid-May which will be used to feed into the development for future strategies for Newmarket.

BEAUTIFUL: The purple milk-vetch and pasque flowers (left and main picture) grow at Devil's Dyke which is also home to the rare chalkhill blue butterfly, below

Scrub cleared to let the flowers grow

AN IMPORTANT natural monument has been cleared of suffocating scrub.

Work has been carried out to remove scrub growing on Devil's Dyke, a 7.5-mile ditch which stretches from Reach to Woodditton.

The man-made dyke was declared a Special Site of Scientific Interest (SSSI) as it hosts rare plants such as purple milk-vetch and the chalkhill blue butterfly.

A spokesman for Natural England said: "This rich and beautiful habitat needs open areas to flourish, so the landowners have been clearing the scrub to prevent the grassland species being shaded out.

"Devil's Dyke is also a Scheduled Monument and removing the scrub helps prevent roots damaging its structure.

"The Dyke remains one of the few areas in Cambridgeshire still supporting this diversity of species."

» in brief

Pensioner hurt

A PENSIONER was taken to hospital with chest pain following a two-vehicle collision at Barton Mills at 1.29pm on Monday.

An ambulance spokesperson said his condition was not serious .

Band concert

MUSIC will fill the Memorial Hall next week.

Forest Heath District Band will perform the High Street venue at 7.30pm on March 29.

Tickets cost £5, £4 for concessions and £2.50 for children.

Players needed

FORDHAM Cricket Club requires more players for their under-15 team who compete in the Cambs Colts League. Anyone interested should call (01638) 720674.

Free walks

FREE guided walks will be held at RSPB Lakenheath Fen every Wednesday at 10.30am.

Sniff – and help stop drug trade

■ LIZZY BUCHAN

DO you recognise the smell of cannabis?

Members of the public will receive 'scratch and sniff' cards through their letter boxes which replicate the smell of cannabis in its growing state to help them identify cannabis factories concealed in residential areas.

Crimestoppers and the police have teamed up to combat cannabis cultivation after a 15 per cent increase in the number of factories in 2011 and 2012.

Over the past two years 46 farms have been identified in Suffolk.

Robin Pivett, controlled drug liaison officer for Suffolk Police, said: "If you grow only one cannabis plant it is still illegal but we are focusing our resources on large scale operations.

"There is a massive profit margin for people who are doing this. We hope that when people are going about their daily life, at work or socialising, they will recognise the smell and they will phone Crimestoppers."

The production of cannabis is not only dangerous to people's health but can also have a negative effect on safety as growers often divert electricity away from the main grid which can cause fires due to faulty wiring.

Mr Pivett added: "We are relying on the public to be our eyes and ears and to report anything suspicious to us."

The UK National Problem Profile report on Commercial Cannabis Cultivation produced in 2012 identified that commercial or industrial properties are being used less and there has been a significant move towards residential dwellings over multiple sites to grow cannabis plants.

Lord Ashcroft, founder and chairman of Crimestoppers, said: "Cannabis farms grow more than just drugs.

"Those who are cultivating cannabis tend to be involved in other areas of crime and are often involved in related gang crime and other violent crimes involving firearms.

"These individuals use violence and intimidation to carry out these crimes and endanger the lives of those around them.

"We want to help put an end to this and the funding that cultivation provides to serious organised crimes like human trafficking and gun crime."

Supplying cannabis, which is a Class B drug, can lead to a 14-year prison sentence.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or go to *www.crimestoppers-uk.org*.

Tips will be treated anonymously and callers will not have to appear in court.

Action group for visually impaired needs members

BLIND and partially sighted people are invited to join a new action group.

Newmarket Visually Impaired People's Action Group – known as Newmarket VIP Action Group – is actively seeking new members to ensure they have a louder voice in the community.

Supported by Sensing Change and the Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB), the group hopes to work with the council, police and other community groups to tackle issues affecting its members.

A spokeswoman for the organisation Sensing Change said: "One member told us while walking on the pathway 'I have been knocked over by cycles twice in October last year.'

"He wishes to make a difference by educating people not to cycle on pathways and for cycles to have a bell attached for warning.

"Another concern for members is getting across the Fordham Road where there is only one crossing."

The next meeting of Newmarket VIP Action will be held at the fire station, in Willie Snaith Road, on May 7 from 10am to noon.

FUNDRAISING FUN: 9-year-old Joel Basham had his head shaved for charity while Richard Howitt MEP visited Newmarket College to get involved in their activities

Haircuts, gunge and cupcakes . . .

LIZZY BUCHAN

CHILDREN – and adults – in Newmarket got the giggles to raise lots of money for Comic Relief.

In the spirit of Red Nose Day, 9-year-old Joel Basham bravely volunteered to lose his locks to raise money for the cause.

The Ditton Lodge Primary School pupil went for the chop at Jose salon, in the Guineas Shopping Centre on Thursday, the same salon where he had his first hair cut.

Mum Cassie, of Peterhouse Drive, said: "He has been growing his hair since before Christmas so he has been planning this for quite some time.

"Throughout the whole shaving the grin never left his face as he felt he had made a difference."

Donations flooded in from friends and family, beating Joel's modest target of £25 by donating more than £100.

Cassie thanked Jose hairdressers, Sweets Newsagents and Ditton Lodge for their support.

Over at Newmarket College, Richard Howitt MEP dropped by to join in with the fun and open the new science labs.

Mr Howitt, who represents the Eastern region in the European Parliament, put on his judge's hat for the fiercely fought cupcake competition.

He kept a safe distance as deputy principal Nick Froy, and assistant principals Richard Hall and Neil Fisher braved the chilly morning to be 'gunged' by students before enjoying Red Nose biscuits baked by the year 7 catering class.

Dr Bob Cadwalladr, principal of Newmarket College, said: "We were delighted to welcome Richard Howitt MEP to Newmarket College on Friday.

"Richard also took part in our Red Nose Charity events – judging the cup cake competition and standing well back when the 'Gunge the Teacher' competition came to a climax."

The college raised more than £1,000 for Comic Relief.

Scheme launched to cut bike deaths in county

MOTORCYCLISTS can learn how to become safer riders at a police workshop.

Suffolk County Council, and Suffolk Police are running a series of 'Bikesafe' motorcycle workshops in a bid to decrease the number of motorcyclists being killed in the county.

In 2012, 25 per cent of people killed on Suffolk's roads were motorcyclists.

PC Kevin Stark said: "Last year, we saw a decrease in the number of motorcyclists killed on Suffolk's roads and we hope by running future workshops we can help to reduce this number further. No matter how experienced or careful you are, advanced rider training will improve the way in which you ride and increase your chances of riding safely, thus avoiding a crash or collision."

Sessions will be run in Martlesham on April 19 and 20, May 17 and 18, June 21 and 22, July 19 and 20, August 30 and 31 and September 6 and 7.

The workshops cost £55 per person. For more information go to *www.suffolk.police.uk*.

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Pop bands set to raise the roof at Newmarket Nights

■ LIZZY BUCHAN

TAKE a trip back to the 90s at Newmarket Racecourse this summer.

5ive, Blue and Liberty X will hit the stage at the famous July Course for the Adnams Newmarket Nights.

The three bands will bring their infectious sounds to the Big Pop Party on June 28 following the final race of the day.

Boy band 5ive have reformed as a four-piece as part of ITV's reality show *The Big Reunion* alongside 90s pop bands such as Atomic Kitten, B*witched and 911.

The band took the charts by storm in the 90s with hits such as *Everybody Get Up* and *Slam Dunk Da Funk*.

Four-piece act Blue have had three number one albums since forming in 2000 and have performed with artists such as Sir Elton John and Stevie Wonder.

Duncan James, Lee Ryan, Simon Webb and Anthony Costa garnered a number of top ten singles before their split in 2005 and reformed to represent the UK in the 2011 Eurovision Song Contest.

Liberty X, who notched up a number of top ten singles including the BRIT award-winning number one *Just A Little*, also appeared on the hit ITV series that began airing in January.

Amy Starkey, regional director of Jockey Club Racecourses, said: "We are very excited about holding a Big Pop Party with 5ive, Blue and Liberty X at Adnams Newmarket Nights this summer and I'm sure our spectators will be delighted about their concert.

"It is going to be a superb evening of horse racing and music, and I'm sure many thousands of music fans will be with us on Friday, June 28."

The three bands join Madness, Kaiser Chiefs, Keane, Labrinth and Simple Minds among the acts playing on Friday nights this summer.

Tickets are now on sale for the Big Pop Party Adnams Newmarket Night at *www.newmarketracecourses.co.uk* and 0844 579 3010.

More than 100,000 people attended the Newmarket Nights last year so snap up tickets while you can.

Tickets cost £38 for the Premier Enclosure, £33 for Grandstand and Paddock and £23 for the Family Enclosure.

Children aged 5 to 17 years old pay at £18, £17 and £12 respectively.

Parking will be available.

SUMMER SHOW: Liberty X and Blue, pictured, will be joined by 5ive for a night of pop at the racecourse

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Business event

SIGN up for a place at an annual business meeting. The Newmarket and District Chamber of Commerce will host its AGM at the British Racing School on April 11. The meeting will last from 6pm to 7pm.

To register email *info@bluelizardmarketing.com*

Charity concert

SNAP up your tickets for a charity concert.

Fordham Charity Group's Spring Concert 'Marches, Movies and Musicals' will take place at 7.30pm on April 20 at Victoria Hall.

The Wicken Coronation Band, singer Janet Scott and pianist Frank Taylor will perform.

Tickets cost £6. Please call (01638) 720674.

The proceeds will go to The Arthur Rank Hospice.

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Struggling builder sold scrap for cash

A STRUGGLING builder stole scaffolding to sell for scrap.

Nicholas Taylor, 46, of Swaffham Bulbeck, said he was on the way to the gym when he decided to steal a number of poles from a Burwell farm on February 3. The stolen metal was worth £300.

He was caught as part of the Cambridgeshire Constabulary's Operation Magnet, which was launched by the force in April to crack down on metal theft in the county.

Taylor admitted the offence after being shown CCTV footage by police.

He appeared before Cambridge Magistrates' Court on Thursday to plead guilty to a charge of theft.

Jacqui Baldwin, mitigating, said Taylor, who was a self-employed builder, carried out the "impulsive" theft because he was very worried about his finances.

Ms Baldwin added: "The last two years he has been getting jobs ad hoc and it has been absolutely horrendous."

Magistrates ordered Taylor, of Downing Court, in Swaffham Bulbeck, to undertake 40 hours of unpaid work in the community.

He was also ordered to pay £145 of costs to the court.

Queen selects a new High Sheriff

THE Queen has picked Cambridgeshire's new High Sheriff by pricking his name with a silver bodkin.

The official has been chosen this way for centuries in a ceremony dating back to Elizabeth I, and the new person for the job is the Hon James Buxton, a father-of-three from Carlton.

He takes over the one-year role from the present incumbent Penelope Walkinshaw on April 5.

Mr Buxton said: "I am very flattered and very pleased to have been nominated to do the job.

"Penelope has done brilliantly in the role and I shall be doing my best to follow her in the year ahead."

FLATTERED: James Buxton

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Putting the record straight

I WRITE in response to the letter last week from James Killick under the heading 'How decisions are made'.

Mr Killick erroneously states that Newmarket Town Council's development and planning committee (D&P) is practically a sub-committee of the Save Historic Newmarket Action Group (SHNAG).

Newmarket Town Council D&P is made up of 15 people, only three of whom have had connections with SHNAG – a local action group formed in 2008 to 'Save Historic Newmarket' from such blights as expensive ultra-modern flats built in the conservation area, with no financial contribution whatsoever to Newmarket and Lord Derby's Hatchfield Farm urban extension proposal. I suggest that three out of 15 members is hardly "practically a sub-committee of SHNAG".

Secondly, Mr Killick alleges that members of the D&P "were confronted by a roomful of objectors to proposals" (to build soccer pitches on stud land off Exning Road) and "NTC has never yet been prepared to oppose objectors whatever the planning reasons". Again Mr Killick has got his facts wrong. In the past, I have been in a room full of objectors, as one of the objectors, when the town council D&P did exactly that!

The democratic process rightly affords the D&P the opportunity to listen both to local residents supporting or objecting to applications, which it did. The D&P makes decisions based upon material planning considerations. Incidentally, applications for housing to be built in Exning do not come before the town council.

Rachel Hood
Chair, Newmarket Town Council development and planning committee

TIME FOR A CUDDLE: Poppy James, 5, centre, with Phoebe Odell, 3, and her sister Tilly, 1.

Picture by Richard Patterson 900565

It was pure animal magic . . .

I WOULD like to say a big thank you to all at French Hall Farm in Moulton for an amazing Lambing Sunday. Even the weather could not spoil it.

It is a family run farm and they were all there, happy to answer questions, even though they were busy with half a dozen lambs being born that morning.

The children were able to stroke a lamb that was being held and some even got to see twin lambs being born. There were two other barns to visit, one with tractors and older lambs with their mothers and the other one had delicious homemade cakes that had been donated and coffee/tea.

This event is held every two years and all the proceeds go to local facilities, which make it even more wonderful. Can't wait for the next one in two years' time!

Mrs Janet Aitken (and son Alex, 6)
Maltings Close
Moulton

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>> Mildenhall

Probus Club

AT the meeting of the Mildenhall and District Probus Club the scheduled speakers failed to put in an appearance, due to a severe snowstorm in Ipswich.

But their speaker-finder Bryan Crowder was not fazed in any way and managed to fill the next 35 minutes with a splendid review of his own lifetime in the military.

Members heard how he gained his commission, with subsequent promotions at a fairly speedy rate, how he travelled over parts of the British Empire and how 'Lady Luck' brought him safely back to Great Britain during the heights of World War II.

On that day, a coach load of club members, spouses and friends had an enjoyable trip westwards to Eaton Socon in Cambridgeshire, where they partook of a fine lunch before their chairman gave them his own impromptu 'short story' before the usual raffle and journey home.

With just two meetings left before the annual general meeting the club will be at home on March 25 when Derek Palgrave, an old friend, returns to speak about 'family history on the web'.

He will be followed a fortnight later by Mike Shave, speaking about 'The life of honey bees' then on April 22, the AGM business having been completed, Sqdn Ldr (Retd) Brian Cole will speak about the RAF before a special lunch will be held at the Riverside Hotel.

Thinner numbers at SALC meeting

THE quarterly meeting of the representatives of the town and parish councils within the Forest Heath area was held in Freckenham last Wednesday, with Councillor Warwick Hirst in the chair.

Members were brought up to date regarding broadband in the county.

They also learned about Section 106 expenditure from a FHDC officer, before electing David Wheeler (Freckenham) as their new vice-chairman. Reports from all the council representatives as always produced several matters of great interest about what goes on in the area, while the SALC report and two others (concerning the Brecks Project and the work of the West Suffolk Partnership) were also received.

Steering group at work

WITH its Mildenhall Community Partnership annual meeting now just over two months away, the group's steering committee led by local architect Michael Croughton, had a busy session last week in the training room of Forest Heath District Council.

The partnership's management group had made recommendations regarding membership, with the senior group agreeing that invitations should be sent out to a number of organisations, inviting them to participate.

In addition the steering group endorsed recommendations for financial rewards for groups within the Mildenhall area, in line with the kind which in earlier times had seen donations sent to, for example, newly established young Mildenhall footballers, the junior cricket coaching done by members of the Worlington cricket club and the Bunbury Players. Letters will shortly be sent to the groups concerned, with suitable arrangements being made for presentation.

This could well take place at the June 6 annual meeting.

At the same time there may well be prize presentations in respect of the splendid competition for the under-17s within the current edition of the 'Mildenhall Messenger' – the young entrants' task being to identify local places where animals or birds can be seen.

The MCP Steering Group is also continuing with the task of finding a replacement for their current editor, who is to retire from the post at the end of 2013 after producing nearly 30 editions.

Club end of year draws near

TOMORROW afternoon sees the 'home meeting' of 2012/2013 for members of the Beck Row Thursday club for senior citizens, when members will be aiming for another financially good selling session from the 'Bring and Bid' which they run annually, with the aim of helping to produce funds for a suitable group.

The final meeting will be on April 4, when a full coach load of members, spouses and guests will spend their morning in Ely before moving on to the Horningsea Garden Centre.

The annual general meeting is on April 18.

Dates for your diary

THE next craft fair will be held in the Jubilee Centre on April 20. And before that the Jubilee Centre will host a Farmer's Market next Saturday, March 30.

Truckers rapped for below-par driving

LORRY drivers were caught steering with their knees and watching TV while driving during a week-long police crackdown.

Two hundred offences were recorded on Suffolk, Essex and Norfolk's roads last week as officers handed out around £12,000 worth of fines.

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Sgt Paul Ward, of the Casualty Reduction Team, said: "This was a very successful operation with a number of drivers dealt with for a range of offences.

"However, the figures do reflect the fact that a disappointing amount of people have the wrong attitudes when they are behind the wheel of a heavy goods vehicle.

"We will continue to educate lorry drivers about the dangers to keep our roads safe for all users."

Of the 200 offences recorded, 128 drivers were not wearing seatbelts, while 35 were using a phone.

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INSPIRED: Hospitality student Kit Wilkins-Smith, right, with fellow student Tom Garwood, Hannah Packham, restaurant manager, and Paul Foster, head chef

Students to work with award-winning chefs

A HOSPITALITY student will take the lead in a glamorous gala event.

Kit Wilkins-Smith, 17, from Newmarket, will be front of house for the eighth Dingley Dell Pork Flying Visit at Tuddenham Mill on April 17, which will celebrate all things porcine with a five-course 'swine and dine' extravaganza.

He will be joined by fellow West Suffolk College student Tom Garwood, 18, from Sudbury, who will work alongside the award-winning chefs Matt Gillian, Ben Spalding, Eric Snaith, Mark Poyton and Paul Foster.

Both students earned the right to appear by taking part in Master Chef contestant Murray Chapman's A Passion to Inspire competition.

Mr Foster, head chef at Tuddenham Mill, said: "We are delighted to offer them this unique experience."

Mr Chapman said: "This is just what A Passion to Inspire is all about – giving students experiences that will stay with them all their lives and inspiring them to be the best they can be."

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We will improve, insists primary school's head

■ LIZZY BUCHAN

WE are committed to making our school great – that's the message from a Newmarket primary school which was told by Ofsted inspectors that it needs to improve.

Paddocks Primary School, in Rochfort Avenue, has been classified as 'requires improvement' by inspectors from the schools watchdog who visited in February.

The ranking, which is the third out of four, is the same grade the school received at a previous inspection in 2011, as the former 'satisfactory' rating has been reclassified as 'requires improvement'.

The school was rated 'requires improvement' in three out of four categories – achievement of pupils, the quality of teaching and leadership and management – while the behaviour and safety of pupils was rated as good.

COMMITTED: Gerry Sexton says Paddocks Primary is keen to improve

Headmaster Gerry Sexton said: "Myself and my governors are committed to making the school great.

"We are putting an action plan in place to deal with the issues from the report.

"We will share it with parents and the action plan, along with the school development plan, are focused on improvement."

Mr Sexton, who has been at the helm for 13 years, said: "One of the things I took from the reports is it says there has been much improvement since the last one.

"We all want to improve. There are a lot of things going on at the school which are very positive."

In the report, lead inspector Robert Greatrex said the standard of teaching was good but "inconsistent".

The report stated: "The quality of teaching seen during the inspection varied from inadequate to outstanding.

"Overall, three-quarters of teaching is good or better, an improvement since the last inspection."

Attainment levels were described as below average for the county and progress in reading, writing and mathematics had slowed in Years Three and Four.

The behaviour of the pupils was rated as 'good' by inspectors, who said: "Paddocks is a very harmonious community with a real 'family-feel' because all, staff and pupils alike, show respect for one another."

The report also found leadership and management required improvement but said the school has recruited high quality teachers who have helped.

Ofsted inspectors will return to Paddocks Primary School in six weeks to check on its progress and see if the proposed action plan is acceptable.

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Deaths

ENGLAND. Leslie Norman of Newmarket, passed away at his home on Tuesday, 12th March, 2013, after an illness, bravely borne. Dear husband of Jill and a much loved dad to Sarah and Christopher. Private family cremation followed by a church service at All Saints Church, Newmarket on Thursday, 28th March, at 1.15pm. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations may be made payable to Marie Curie Cancer Care c/o Southgate of Newmarket Funeral Directors, 25 Duchess Drive, Newmarket. CB8 8AG.

HODGKINS. John Edward, passed peacefully away at his home in Newmarket, on Tuesday, 12th March, 2013, aged 91 years, surrounded by his family, who will miss him forever and always. A beloved husband to the late Joyce. Funeral service to be held at All Saints Church, Newmarket, on Wednesday, 20th March, at 1.00pm, followed by interment. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations may be made payable to The British Heart Foundation c/o Southgate of Newmarket Funeral Directors, 25 Duchess Drive, Newmarket. CB8 8AG.

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Getting crafty – and lessons in Fair Trade

PUPILS enjoyed an arty event while learning about Fairtrade. Year 3 and 4 pupils at St Christopher's Primary School, in Red Lodge, listened to a talk about Fair Trade and coloured in posters for display in Sainsbury's Mildenhall.

Hospital trust is looking healthy

LIZZY BUCHAN

A HOSPITAL trust has been given a clean bill of health by coming top in a national report.

West Suffolk Foundation Trust was ranked first out of 149 trusts in the country in a new study by health policy consultant MHP Health Mandate.

The report is based on priorities identified by the public and compares hospitals using weighted scores.

A wide variety of data was used included infection control rates, complaints, cancelled operations, patient feedback and waiting times.

West Suffolk Hospital scored particularly highly on waiting times and involving patients in decisions about their care.

A spokesman for West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust said: "We are pleased that we have performed well in this latest report, which looks at a variety of different quality indicators and compares trusts based on the issues which matter to the public.

"It shows that we are performing well in a variety of key areas, including length of stay, waiting times and the number of patients who would recommend the hospital to family or friends.

"We strive to deliver high quality, safe and effective care for everyone using West Suffolk Hospital. Despite these good results, we know that we do not always get things right and will continue listening to our patients and staff to learn lessons and look for ways to improve further.

"Our aim is to ensure every single patient coming to the hospital receives the best possible care and has a positive experience."

West Suffolk MP Matthew Hancock said: "West Suffolk Hospital should be proud to be at the top of the country for overall hospital quality.

"This is an outstanding achievement and the result of hard work by the staff at the hospital. I know they will keep pushing to improve, but this study shows the hospital is already doing a great job."

Rusty cars needed for charity rally drive

PETROL heads are challenged to take on a 1,000-mile journey in an old banger.

Entrants are charged with sourcing a car for less than £250 for the 2013 Monte Carlo or Bust Banger Rally, a high speed race over France, Switzerland and Italy.

The three-day challenge will raise money for a charity of each team's choice and a number of prizes and trophies are up for grabs.

Teams will take part in a series of challenges along the way to compete for points and prizes and they can share their progress with friends and supporters at home through live GPS tracking.

Rally spokesperson, Cuthbert Ware-Armitage, said: "I am laying down the challenge to the good people of Newmarket to join me on Europe's ultimate banger rally adventure. This is a brilliant opportunity to get your team into gear and experience some of the greatest roads in Europe in some of worst cars from Newmarket."

Drivers are encouraged to don crazy outfits and to glam up their cars to match.

Each car must have an MOT and proper insurance which will be checked before the race. All drivers must have a valid driving licence.

The Monte Carlo or Bust Rally takes place from July 12 to 14. Go to *www.montecarloorbust.eu*.

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Pedal power needed to raise money for hospice

GET pedalling for to raise money for a hospice charity next month.

Newmarket Leisure Centre is hosting a 12-hour spinathon in aid of St Nicholas Hospice Care on April 13 from 7am to 7pm.

Spinning instructor Pete Mahon is challenging people to spin for one hour or the full 12, with 50 bikes available on the day.

He said: "Slots are already selling well, but I would love to fill every available space.

"The feedback from the 2012 spinathon was fantastic. Most people wanted to do more than their original slot."

Pete and fellow instructor Kim Parr will lead the challenge and this year's spinathon has the added dimension that 12-hour participants are being challenged to cycle 180 miles – the distance from Windsor racecourse to Newmarket.

He added: "The point of the day is to raise money for St Nicholas Hospice Care and get as many people involved as we can – whether they want to do one hour or the full 12 hours. Teams are welcome from all walks of life."

Sue Long, Hospice Community Fundraiser at St Nicholas Hospice Care, said: "I admire anyone who is prepared to get on their bike for such a long time to raise funds for the Hospice and I wish all the spinners well."

There will also be a grand raffle to raise extra funds, with about 60 prizes already donated by local businesses, including a four-day narrow-boat holiday voucher and a day pass for four to Center Parcs at Elveden.

Book a place at Newmarket Leisure Centre reception or call (01638) 782500.

St Nicholas Hospice Care provides support for people with life shortening illnesses in West Suffolk.

PLEASED: Bert Winterman pulls another pint

Raise a glass to Bert at the bar

THIS committed 86-year-old has been honoured for propping up the bar for three years – as a volunteer.

Bert Winterman was awarded a commendation certificate by the High Sheriff of Suffolk for his voluntary work.

He runs the bar in the Newmarket Day Centre, which is now known as Bertie's Bar.

Manager Elvis McMinn said: "He started to come here as a client and offered to help out.

"He says it is the greatest thing that has happened to him.

"He loves working at the bar, and is always willing to come and help.

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Care providers 'failing patients'

■ RACHEL ALLEN

A HOSPITAL service for people with mental health problems and a care service for vulnerable people are failing to care for their patients adequately, according to a health watchdog.

Beech House, a hospital service for people with mental or learning disabilities and drug addicts based in Fordham Road, is failing to meet the needs of individual patients, involve them in their care, protect them from the risk of inappropriate care or provide enough staff to look after them.

Inspectors from the Care Quality Commission (CQC) paid an unannounced visit to the facility in December and have now published a report on their findings, which require Beech House to improve or face further action.

In the report, an inspector said patients' views and experiences were not always taken into account which meant their human rights were not being recognised.

He said: "Patients do not experience care, treatment and support that meet their needs and protect their rights.

"Care and treatment was not planned and delivered in a way that ensured patients safety and welfare.

"We found that there was not enough qualified, skilled and experienced staff to support patients right to authorised leave."

A spokeswoman for the Huntercombe Group, which runs the facility and is part of the Four Seasons enterprise, said improvements have been made since the visit.

She said: "There are many positive aspects to the CQC report including that patients who use the service are protected from the risk of abuse by robust and detailed action plans.

"Our priority at Beech House is to ensure the welfare and appropriate care of patients and we are confident that they are being looked after safely."

She said the majority of recommendations have been addressed and work was being done to make sure patients were more closely involved in their reviews.

Another service under scrutiny is Borders Home Care, based in Newmarket Hospital, which cares for vulnerable people.

Inspectors visited the facility last month and found that people were "not fully protected against the risks associated with medicines" because "appropriate arrangements" were not in place.

Inspectors said: "People were cared for by staff who were supported to deliver care and treatment safely. However staff training was not up to date so we could not be assured."

A spokesman for Suffolk County Council, which looks after the home said: "We very much acknowledge the comments made by the CQC and have already drawn up an action plan to improve processes.

"We have worked with the CQC, who have welcomed the improvements made, and will be meeting them again in June as part of ongoing monitoring."

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LIFT-OFF: The crane removes the cap off Burwell Mill

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Raising the roof

Crowds watch as Burwell's historic mill is lifted off as part of restoration project

LIZZY BUCHAN

A GRADE II listed mill has lost its roof as part of a £420,000 restoration project.

More than 50 people watched open mouthed as the 65-tonne crane wrenched the roof off Burwell Mill on Wednesday morning.

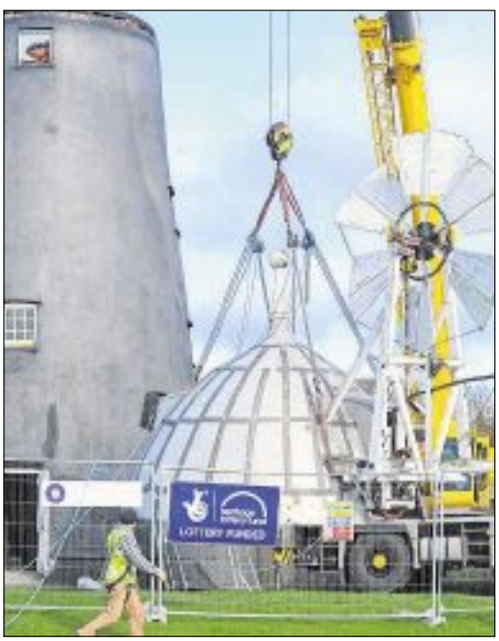
The 19th century mill has been out of action for more than 30 years and the sails are unable to turn as the cap roof has become stuck.

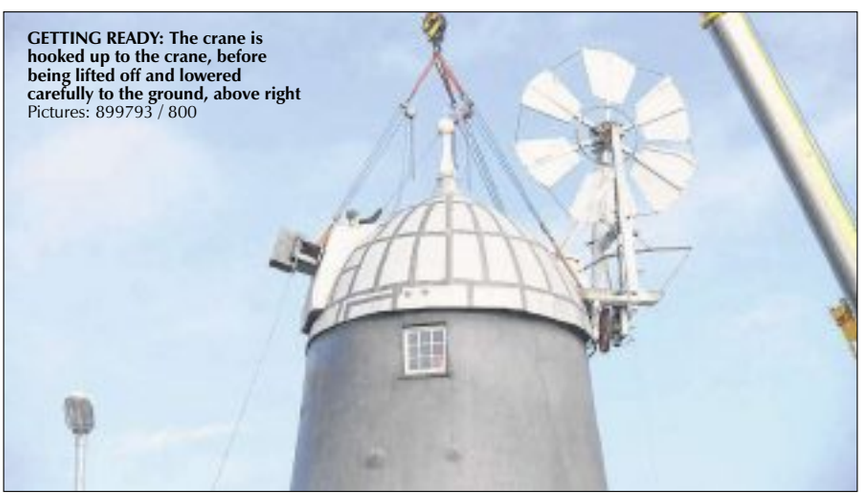
To get the mill back to working order, the cap was removed for restoration at ground level and a temporary roof was put in its place.

Jane Phillimore, project leader, said: "It was absolutely great. Lots of people came to watch, including children from the Burwell Montessori School, which was lovely.

"Everything went magnificently. The replacement roof is now on and everybody is very pleased with it all."

The mill will be restored to its former glory as part of the 'Fresh Wind in Our Sails' project, which is funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund.





GETTING READY: The crane is hooked up to the crane, before being lifted off and lowered carefully to the ground, above right

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SPAT: MP Matthew Hancock

MP in war of words on state of economy

WEST Suffolk MP Matthew Hancock got embroiled in a spat with a Nobel prize-winning economist.

Mr Hancock, who is also Business Minister, appeared on *Newsnight* last Tuesday to debate austerity with American economist Paul Krugman, who was awarded the Nobel prize for Economic Sciences in 2008.

Speaking via a weblink, Mr Krugman criticised the government's plans for austerity while Mr Hancock insisted it was right to remain on the same course.

However viewers took to Twitter to criticise Mr Hancock's credentials.

Ian Mearns, Labour MP for Gateshead, said: "Paul Krugman stuffs the inept Matthew Hancock on the Economy on *Newsnight*.

"Not the faintest iota of a clue how to move forward."

Mr Hancock tweeted: "Amazing discussion with @NYTimeskrugman on @BBCNewsnight.

"Astonishingly, he argued record employment in the UK was bad news."

SUPPORT: Dementia sufferers and their family and friends can receive practical advice and take part in enjoyable activities at the new Synergy cafe held in Newmarket

New cafe provides care for dementia sufferers

DEMENTIA sufferers will be able to take advantage of a much-needed facility in Newmarket.

A Synergy cafe will be launched tomorrow at Orbit East's Childwick House, in Howard de Walden Way, for sufferers and their family and friends to help break down the stigma associated with the disease.

The free service, developed by charity Sue Ryder, will run from 10am to 3pm every Thursday and provide dementia sufferers and carers with enjoyable activities and practical help to manage the disease.

Helen Petitdemange, Orbit Independent Living Business Development Manager, said: "The café will help address the challenges posed by early stage dementia.

"It will provide a safe, social space for people to interact with others who may at times feel alone and disempowered by the lack of accessible information on the condition."

Jo Marshall, of Sue Ryder, said: "We are delighted that we are able to offer more people in Suffolk the opportunity to access support through a Synergy Café by working with Orbit to establish these in their sheltered homes."

We don't need more houses, say councillors

■ LIZZY BUCHAN

PLANS for the construction of nearly 100 homes on the edge of a rural village have been criticised by residents.

Kentford Developments has submitted an application for 98 homes with garages on the 16-acre Kentford Lodge site, between Herringswell Road and Bury Road.

The majority of the market homes would have four or five bedrooms while six of the properties would have three bedrooms.

Of the 30 affordable homes, there will be 14 two-bed, nine three-bed and one four-bed home along with six one-bed flats.

The plans include an outline bid for 579 square metres of office space.

David Barker, of Evolution Town Planning which is acting for the applicant, said in a letter: "Kentford is a primary village with a range of services and a good employment base.

"It has been identified in the Forest Heath District Council core strategy as a village suitable for housing development of the scale proposed."

However, Kennett Parish Council voiced strong objections to the plans as they said there was more than enough housing in the area.

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In a letter to the district council, parish clerk Jackie Hughes said there was already a bid for 133 homes to built across the road at Meddler Stud and a third application was in the pipeline for the Abacus Cards site, in Gazeley Road, which has not yet been submitted.

The parish council has asked all three bids be considered together, similar to the stance taken on the four supermarket applications for Newmarket.

Mrs Hughes said: "If all three were given approval, it would certainly be unsustainable in our view."

The main objections were on the grounds of traffic, lack of car parking space at Kennett station, insufficient primary school places and lack of employment.

She said new homes at Red Lodge means the area has sufficient housing and a recent development at Farrier's Grange is "struggling to sell houses".

The plans will be decided by Forest Heath District Council's development control committee at a later date.

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Easter tree: Easter decorations are becoming as popular as those for Christmas.

"It's now fashionable to decorate your home for Easter the same as you would at Christmas, with many people looking for ways to make the four-day weekend a special event for friends and family," says Katherine Mitchell, junior gift buyer at John Lewis.

"If you're entertaining this Easter, decorate your table with fresh pastel colours and have as a centrepiece a small Easter tree or a glass bowl filled with pretty decorated eggs. Add to the atmosphere with chick and bunny decorations which can form part of the clues for an Easter egg trail."

Informality and fun are at the heart of the celebration and a blend of nature and delicate decorations works best, says Sylvia Oakley, stylist for Villeroy & Boch china specialists.

"I like to take long, fresh blossom branches and display them in an oversized glass vase. Fill the base of the vase with painted eggs in soft spring tones – either bought on the high street or do them yourself. Alternatively, hang an egg off each branch," she suggests.

In terms of colour, she advises keying into a spring palette – yolky yellow, grass green, tulip orange and piglet pink.

"I use a strip of astro turf down the centre of my table and Astroturf squares as placemats. Then I accessorise with small baskets filled with daffodil heads," she reveals.

"If you like to use a napkin ring, pop a fresh daffodil or tulip in to add a splash of colour to a plain white napkin."

She likes to involve guests in the party by having an egg hunt for adults and children, with the first clues written on luggage labels and hung on the back of each chair.

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Person trapped

A PERSON was rescued following a late-night collision.

Firefighters were called to the scene just after 3am on Friday in Eriswell Road, Holywell Row.

One person was cut out of the vehicle using specialist equipment.

The incident was over by 3.49am and crews returned to base by 4.15am.

Tools stolen

POWER tools and cigarettes have been stolen from three vehicles.

Thieves broke into three vans parked in Newmarket between Wednesday and Thursday.

A Ford Transit van parked in Waterloo Close, was raided between Wednesday at 6pm and 7am on Thursday and power tools were taken.

Tools and cigarettes were taken from a Peugeot Expert van parked in Tulyar Walk, between 10pm on Wednesday and 7am on Thursday.

Another Peugeot Expert van parked in Hyperion Way was broken into at the same time but nothing was taken.

Anyone with information is asked to call police on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

New meeting

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PROUD: Mayor George Lambton donned his red nose alongside guests at an annual civic reception on Friday in the King Edward VII Memorial Hall

Dignitaries donned red noses for civic reception

■ LIZZY BUCHAN

COUNCIL members, dignitaries and members of local community organisations attended a civic reception on Friday.

The annual civic event, which was organised by the Mayor of Newmarket, Cllr George Lambton, celebrated his year in office with a glittering reception.

As the event fell on Red Nose Day, Cllr Lambton and other guests indulged their silly side by donning red noses for the reception.

More than 100 people attended the event at King Edward VII Memorial Hall, in Newmarket High Street, which raised £278.77 for charity.

The funds were divided equally between Red Nose Day's charity Comic Relief and the mayor's nominated charity Newmarket Open Door, which helps to provide vulnerable people with supported housing and training opportunities in the town

Cllr Lambton said: "The reception was a great success and I'm very pleased that we raised such a significant amount for charity."

While wearing his red nose, he added: "It was also good to see our guests getting into the spirit of the day and wearing their red noses with pride."

During his keynote speech, the Mayor highlighted the great work being done by both Newmarket Open Door and Comic Relief and encouraged people to dig deep to support the causes.

Cllr Lambton also reflected on the re-birth of the King Edward VII Memorial Hall as a modern and affordable venue for the people of Newmarket following its £1.2m renovation.

He said he was also delighted to welcome Mr Noel Cunningham-Reid, the great grandson of Sir Ernest Cassell who was the original benefactor of the Memorial Hall.

Among the attendees of the reception were Cllr Jeremy Pembroke, chairman of Suffolk County Council, the High Sheriff of Suffolk Andrew Norman-Butler and Col Christopher J Kulas, Commander 100 ARW from RAF Mildenhall.

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‘It’s not like you have a choice, you just have to get on with it’

BRIGHT FUTURE: Jonathan has transformed his life

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After years of struggling with his speech, Jonathan Mitchell has finally found his voice.
With his future looking bright, he now wants to help others beat ‘the monster in their mouth’. Interview by Alice Ryan.

HOLDING the phone to his ear, listening hard to the voice at the end of the line, Jonathan Mitchell tried to speak – but no words came. His chest was tight, his tongue stiff, his lips totally rigid. He was battling a stammer. And it felt like he was losing.

“I was about 18. I’d been out with friends and I wanted to order a taxi home,” recounts Jonathan.

“I dialled the number, but when they picked up I froze; I couldn’t get a word out. So I ended up hanging up – and walking the five miles back to my parents’ house in Harston. Five miles . . .

“At the time it was really upsetting. I felt too ashamed to tell anyone, so I kept it to myself. It’s hard to explain to someone who doesn’t stammer, but everything seizes up: your mouth, your tongue, your palate, your lips. And you feel as if you can’t catch your breath, as if you haven’t the breath to be able to make a sound.

“It’s extremely, extremely frustrating. Sometimes I’ve felt so angry, so full of tension, that I’ve unleashed an actual scream of frustration. You know what you want to say – but you feel like you’ve got no voice.”

To hear Jonathan speaking today – calm, composed and incredibly eloquent – it’s hard to believe he was ever so tongue-tied. “I have come a very long way. If I were to revisit myself as a 13-year-old boy, I’d be amazed at the transformation. I don’t often think about it but, looking back, I do feel proud.”

Now 33, Jonathan, who lives in Fen Ditton, shared his story for the second Cambridge Stammering Open Day, which took place last Saturday. An event designed to both raise awareness of stammering and offer support to people living with the condition, it was held at Ridgefield Primary School and was sponsored by the Dominic Barker Trust.

The organisation was set up by Dominic’s parents in memory of their son, whose crippling stammer drove him to take his own life.

“There is a real kinship in meeting other people who have stammers,” adds Jonathan. “And it can also be very inspirational, meeting people who’ve achieved their ambitions despite this added obstacle. You’re going through life without the easy communication skills most people take for granted and, inevitably, that does shape the route you take.”

Jonathan says his stammer developed when he was a small boy. “I first became aware of it when I was 7 or maybe 8, and at that point I was excused from reading aloud in class. The very fact I was excused suggests it had become an issue by then.

“I can remember the teacher asking the class a question, knowing the answer and wanting to say it – but finding I couldn’t speak. It makes you feel inadequate. And, as a kid, you do blame yourself: who else is there to blame? Of course, it’s not actually anybody’s fault.

NEW PERSPECTIVE: Jonathan's success has been fuelled by his sheer strength of will

"I still don't know why I developed a stammer in the first place; no-one does. There's a school of thought that says it's a mechanical thing; another says it's psychological. The truth is it's probably a bit of both."

Jonathan's speech problems intensified at school. "I was very fortunate: I was never bullied or picked on because of it. And I had a brilliant English teacher, who always gave me the option of reading in class or not: if I was feeling good, my speech would be much more fluent; if I was having a bad day, when I knew things weren't going to go my way, I'd struggle to say anything."

In a bid to control his stammer, Jonathan tried umpteen techniques – from traditional speech therapy to meditation classes. But, he explains, there is no such thing as a miracle cure: "Even now, every time I open my mouth I have to think about my breathing, think about the words I want to say and how to say them. It's a challenge. But I long ago realised there's no point wishing it away: you have to work with what you've got – and try to make the very best of it."

Going to university to study publishing, Jonathan says his stammer continued to have a big impact. "I'm a pretty sociable person; I like going out with my friends. But I would often leave social events early: if I felt my speech was becoming unmanageable, I'd just slope off.

"Part of the course involved giving presentations. A lot of people dislike public speaking; when you've got a stammer to contend with as well, it's a bit of a nightmare, to be honest."

Jonathan confesses he 'ruled out about 80 per cent of jobs because they involved speaking to the public' and says his first job interview was 'horrendous': "It was with a small publishing company in Cambridge. I could barely get a single word out. The interviewer was very patient and clearly wanted to give me a chance. But he did explain that he wouldn't be able to offer me the position if I couldn't manage my speech. It wasn't personal, it was fair enough."

Jonathan says using the telephone was a particular stumbling block. "When you're talking to someone face to face, they say 80 per cent of the communication is non-verbal. When you're on the phone, it's all about the voice – so that's an added pressure.

"My stammer has shaped a lot of my life. I ended up taking a whole series of jobs I didn't really want – even washing pots – because the jobs I did want involved too much talking. In the end, I decided to take the plunge, go back to university and retrain."

A turning point came when, aged just 22, Jonathan was diagnosed with testicular cancer. Going through a gruelling three months of chemo – 'there were times of great worry, like being rushed into A&E at Christmas because I thought I'd found another lump' – he says the experience gave him a new perspective.

"Although you don't realise it at the time, an experience like that does make you pause, reflect and rethink the direction you're taking. It made me want to make a change; to get more out of life."

A first-class degree in graphic design from Anglia Ruskin followed. Now a designer for Play.com, based in Histon, Jonathan says he's finally found his career niche: "I like what I do and I'm quite ambitious about it. It's a big change."

Jonathan credits 'constant support from family, friends and work colleagues' with helping him control his stammer. "My parents have been extremely patient and very supportive."

And he says a local support group – Cambridge Self Help For Adults Who Stammer, founded by another recovering stammerer, Robert Coe – has also played an important part. "It's been going for several years and I've been a member since the beginning. It's nice to know you're not alone."

A breakthrough happened last November, when Jonathan went through the acclaimed Starfish Programme. An immersive three-day course, run by Anne and David Blight, it teaches everything from breathing techniques to changing your mindset.

"I don't refer to myself as 'a stammerer' any more," explains Jonathan. "I'm a recovering stammerer. You can't let the condition define you; it's just a little part of who you are."

It's clear that Jonathan's success has also been fuelled by his sheer strength of will. "You do have to push the boundaries of your comfort zone. Last year, for example, I decided to take up a new sport – so I went along to a Korfball session, knowing no-one, and introduced myself.

"There was a time when I couldn't have done that.

"It does require determination but, equally, it's not like you have a choice: you have to get on with it."

Jonathan says dealing with other people's reactions to his stammer can be a challenge in itself.

"One of my friends used to laugh every time I stammered. I think it was embarrassment, not knowing what to do or say. Other people jump in and finish your sentences for you. My advice to anyone talking to someone with a stammer is 'Be patient. Give them the time they need.'

"There are ways of gaining control over your speech: I'm proof of that. And I'd also encourage them to stay positive. Yes, there are tough times. But I wouldn't be where I am today if I hadn't been through tough times – and I'm in a really good place."

● **Cambridge Self Help Group For Adults Who Stammer meets on the first Monday of the month from 8-9.30pm at Chesterton Medical Centre, Union Lane, Cambridge. To find out more email Robert Coe at *cambridgeselfhelp@hotmail.co.uk*.**

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Pedalling to fight cancer

■ LIZZY BUCHAN

VETS and scientists used pedal power to raise more than £1,000 to help animals with cancer.

Staff from the Animal Health Trust (AHT), based in Kentford, took it in turns to cycle at the AHT stand at Crufts.

A visit from Olympic gold medallist Victoria Pendleton spurred the determined cyclists to go beyond their 400-mile target to 500 miles over the four-day event.

Dr Mark Vaudin, deputy chief executive of the AHT, said: "Crufts is a great place to raise awareness of the vital work of the AHT, and this year we had a particular focus on our cancer research.

"With one in four dogs developing some form of cancer in their lifetime, it's important that we tell people about the disease, and raise funds for our on-going cancer research projects.

"Everyone taking part did an amazing job. It's a great achievement to have exceeded our initial target by cycling over 500 miles at Crufts.

"To raise more than £1,000 on top of that is the icing on the cake, and I would like to thank everyone who donated."

The cyclists were supported by volunteers armed with fundraising buckets and some furry canine ambassadors, to help raise awareness about cancer in dogs.

AHT experts were also on hand in the Kennel Club's 'Breeding for the Future' zone to offer advice and answer queries from dog owners.

Scientists and clinicians from the Kennel Club Genetics and Cancer Centres, along with representatives from the genetic services team and seasonal canine illness (SCI) research group, offered support to dog breeders and owners in making responsible breeding choices and improving the health of their pets.

Victoria signed one of her range of road bikes which will be auctioned as a raffle prize at the AHT's Dogs Sportive cycling event, which will be held in August at Lanwades Park.

The Dogs Sportive, held in association with The British Cycling Club and the Newmarket Cycling Club, will offer three cycling routes of 25, 50 or 80 miles and will boost the appeal to raise £20,000 for the AHT's cancer research.

For more information email *fundraising@aht.org.uk* or call (01638) 555648.

IN THE SADDLE: Victoria Pendleton and Maire O'Brien from the AHT on the stand at Crufts. Left: Colin, one of the AHT's 'canine ambassadors' who was helping to spread the word at Crufts
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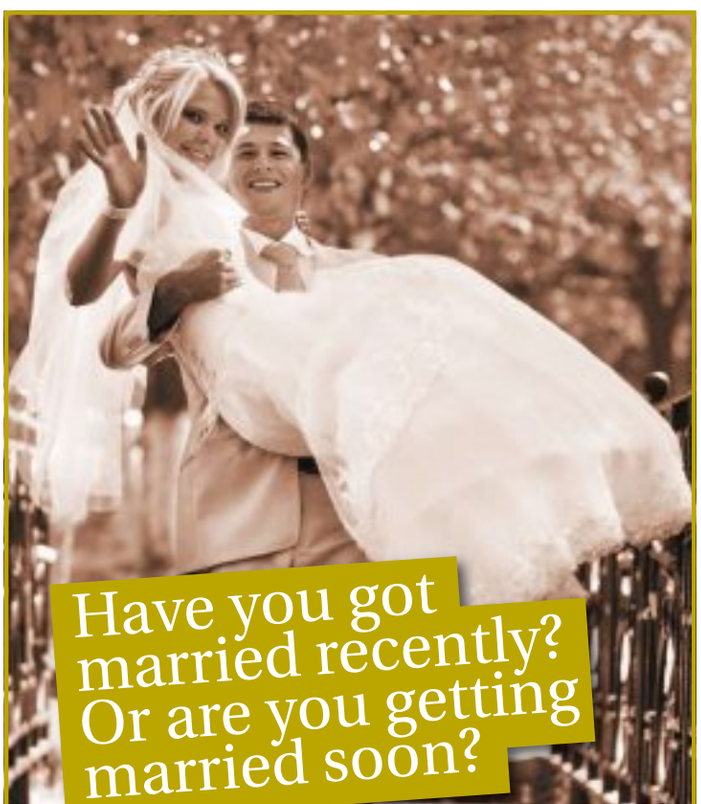
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A survey of 2,000 adults found that almost four out of five logged on to a pub's wi-fi to stay on top of emails while one in five send a message to their boss to give the impression they are hard at work.

About one in six of those polled by wi-fi provider The Cloud said they had taken a video conferencing call in a pub.

The study suggested that people who work while in a pub send an average of 25 work emails a week each.

Vince Russell, managing director of The Cloud, said: "As business becomes increasingly pressurised, workers are finding a need to connect wherever they are, whether they're between meetings or just need to escape the busy office to get through their to-do list.

"We knew wi-fi was valuable for getting reliable access to work emails or quickly downloading large documents – what we didn't expect was that Brits do so much of this in pubs, this may reflect how pubs are changing to become more flexible spaces throughout the working day and into the evening."

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NOW: The Stranglers in 2013, from left, Baz Warne, Jet Black, JJ Burnel and Dave Greenfield

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Giants are back

AFTER forming in London in the mid-70s, The Stranglers came of age in the burgeoning British pub-rock scene.

By the time punk exploded in 1976, the band – Hugh Cornwell, Jet Black, Dave Greenfield and JJ Burnel – had played in virtually every influential venue in the capital, winning fans and honing their performing skills.

While not fitting the punk template quite as neatly as the likes of Sex Pistols and The Clash, there was enough snarling energy and power in their music for them to ride the wave while it lasted.

"None of the other punk bands liked us," says Burnel. "It's funny hearing young bands mention us as an influence now, because back then no band would ever admit to liking us."

He recalls a fateful incident in 1976 when he had a fight with Paul Simonon of The Clash, with Simonon's bandmates, plus Sex Pistols, The Ramones and members of the music press on one side, and The Stranglers and their friends on the other.

"It was more handbags and a bit of growling than anything," he says, "but from then on, the lines were drawn."

As punk subsided, however, The Stranglers endured. And have continued to do so, releasing 17 albums and touring ever since.

"We've been around for so long and I think there's a bit of respect come our way recently," says Burnel.

"We've always conducted ourselves in a certain way. We haven't released endless Best Of compilations and box sets, and so on.

"There's always been new music and we've always tried new things, never imitating ourselves, so that's afforded us a bit more respect. We've ploughed our own furrow, whether people like us or not."

A turning point came around 10 years ago when Burnel isolated himself to write Norfolk Coast.

For the first time in a long time, perhaps since original vocalist Hugh Cornwell's departure in 1990, the press were interested and new fans were drawn to the band.

The renaissance continued with Suite XVI in 2006, and in 2012 was capped by Giants, the band's best and most acclaimed album since the mid-80s.

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Forest music

A FOREST will ring with music as legendary musicians Elvis Costello and James take to the stage this summer.

Both acts will take to the stage in Thetford Forest as part of the Forestry Commission's annual concert series Forest Live, which aims to bring music to new audiences without commercial branding or sponsorship.

Influential indie band James will bring their individual sound to the venue on June 13.

Famed for hits such as Sit Down and She's a Star, James have sold more than 13 million albums worldwide over their 31-year career.

Frontman Tim Booth said: "We're up for this. It's our first-ever Forest Live gig and we can't wait to get out there on stage."

Income generated from ticket sales is spent on improving the local forests for both people and wildlife.

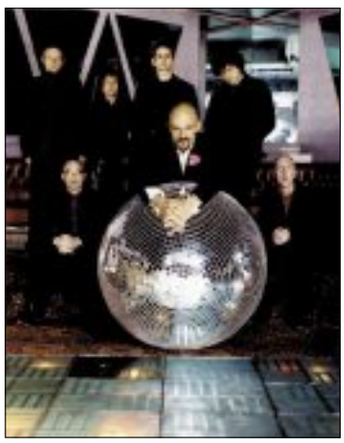
Tickets cost £38 plus booking fee and are available from the Forestry Commission box office on 03000 680400 or www.forestry.gov.uk/music.

Elvis Costello and The Imposters are the final act to be announced as part of this year's summer music series at Thetford Forest.

Since surfacing during the punk/new wave era, Elvis Costello has established a reputation as one of the world's most respected and influential singer-songwriters.

With absorbing lyrics and memorable tunes set to his distinctive vocal, he has generated a songbook of classic material including Alison, Watching The Detectives, Pump It Up, Oliver's Army, I Can't Stand Up (For Falling Down), Accidents Will Happen, Pills And Soap and Veronica as well as his timeless cover of Good Year For The Roses.

Ever evolving in his musical output, a stream of top five albums like Armed Forces, Get Happy!!, Almost Blue, Imperial Bedroom, Punch The Clock, Spike and Brutal Youth have ensured a formidable chart presence both sides of the Atlantic in a career spanning over 35 years.



LEGENDARY: Elvis Costello and the Imposters will perform alongside James in Thetford Forest

Elvis Costello and The Imposters plus guests will be performing at Thetford on Saturday, July 13.

Tickets, priced £39, go on sale at 9am on Friday from the Forestry Commission box office. Tel: 03000 680400 or buy online at www.forestry.gov.uk/music.

Elvis Costello and the Imposters complete this year's line-up at Thetford Forest. The other acts appearing are Paloma Faith, Blondie, Paul Weller, The Script and James.

Review: Steptoe and Son

STEPTOE and Son was originally presented as a TV sitcom written by Galton and Simpson and concerned two rag and bone men living in the fictional London road called Oil Drum Lane.

The series was broadcast by the BBC from 1962 to 1965 and due to the popularity it was followed by a second series in the 1970s.

My own father was always glued to the box and loved the series, which focused on the conflict of Albert Steptoe, a "dirty old man", set in his grimy and grasping ways and contrastingly, his 37-year-old son Harold who was filled with social aspirations, not to say pretensions of grandeur.

Under the direction of John Mitchell and Jamie Maguire, NOMADS are presenting three episodes of this classic series at The Kings Theatre in Newmarket this week, with a brilliantly chosen line-up, having Steve Beach and Mark Scrivener as Albert and Harold Steptoe.

The first playlet is A Star is Born and Harold joins the local amateur dramatic society, but of course, his dad manages, by chance, to be in on the scene and grab the star part. There is quite a bit of 'doubling up' throughout the evening and they are same excellent performances by Cherry Ackerley as Nemone, an actress, along with Colin Scott as director of the group.

The Desperate Hours features the escape of two prisoners from Wormwood Scrubs, played by Mark Jackson and Alan Coogan as Spooner and Ferris. There is a remarkable likeness in characters and situations when these two intrude on the Steptoes. They also realise that they would probably be better off back in the Scrubs, but soon the barriers between prisoners and Harold and Albert are broken down.

Oh, What a Beautiful Morning and Albert's brother dies and, of course, we have the bickering about whether to go to the funeral or not, and eventually the entire family turns up, with the intention of finding out who is in the will.

There are some memorable moments throughout the evening, in particular the delivery of Albert's lines in the amateur dramatic play, and the game of cribbage in the second play and the poignancy between the two convicts. The voices of Harold and Albert are so like the original, and, too, are the mannerisms. It is a great team effort with the other parts played by Richard Clarkson, Kris Camden, Simon Wheeler, Angela Bishop, Teresa Baron, Alison Worthington, and Dani Swanson.

Jancis Harvey

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The Croods [3D] (U): Fri 12.40, 3.10, 5.40, 8.20; Sat-Sun 11.30am,12.40, 3.10, 5.40, 8.20; Mon-Tues 12.40, 3.10, 5.40, 8.20; Wed-Thu 12.30, 3, 5.30, 8
The Croods (U): Fri 1.20, 4, 6.40; Sat-Sun 10.40am,1.20, 4, 6.40; Mon-Tues 1.20, 4, 6.40; Wed-Thu 1.30, 4, 6.30
Jack The Giant Slayer [3D] (12A): Fri-Thu 12.30, 3.20, 6, 8.50
Jack The Giant Slayer (12A): Fri 1.50, 4.40; Sat-Sun 2, 4.50; Mon-Thu 1.50, 4.40
Identity Thief (15): Fri-Thu 12.50, 3.30, 6.20, 9
Stolen (12A): Fri 7.20, 9.40; Sat-Sun 7.30, 9.50; Mon-Thu 7.20, 9.40
Welcome To The Punch (15): Fri-Sun 9.10; Mon 9.30; Tues 9.10
The Incredible Burt Wonderstone (15): Fri-Sun 9.50; Tues 9.50
Oz: The Great And Powerful [3D] (PG): Fri 2, 5, 8; Sat-Sun 11.30am, 2.30, 5.30, 8.30; Mon 1.40, 4.50, 8; Tues 2, 5, 8; Wed-Thu 1.20, 7.40
Oz: The Great And Powerful (PG): Fri-Sun 12.50, 3.50, 6.50; Mon 2.30, 5.30; Tues 12.50, 3.50, 6.50; Wed-Thu 4.30
Side Effects (15): Fri 1.10, 6.50, 9.30; Sat-Sun 4.10, 6.50, 9.30; Mon 1.10, 9; Tues 1.10, 6.50, 9.30; Wed-Thu 9
Wreck-It Ralph (PG): Fri 4; Sat-Sun 10.50am, 1.30; Mon-Thu 4
Movies for juniors
The Muppets (U): Sat 10am
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Trance (15): Wed-Thu 11.10am, 12.45, 6.10, 8.40
The Croods [3D] (U): Sat-Sun 11am,1.30, 4; Wed-Thu 12.50, 3.20, 5.50, 8.20
The Croods (U): Fri 12noon, 2.25, 4.55; Sat-Sun 12.05, 2.30, 5; Mon noon, 2.25, 4.45, 5; Tues 12.05, 2.30, 5; Wed-Thu 11.45am, 2.20, 4.45
Jack The Giant Slayer (12A): Fri 12noon, 1, 2.50, 3.50, 5.30, 8.30, 11; Sat 10.25am, noon, 1, 2.50, 3.50, 5.30, 8.30, 11; Sun noon, 1, 2.50, 3.50, 5.30, 8.30; Mon-Tues noon, 1, 2.50, 3.50, 5.30, 8.30; Wed-Thu 11.20am, noon, 1.50, 2.50, 4.20, 5.30, 8.30
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Hansel & Gretel : Witch Hunters (15): Fri-Sat 11.40
Wreck-It Ralph (PG): Fri 11.30am, 2, 4.30; Sat 11.30am, 2; Sun 11.30am, 2, 4.30; Tues 4.30
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The Croods 2D (U): Tues 6 (subtitles)
GI Joe: Retaliation 3D (12a): Wed 5.40, 8.20, 11; Thu 5.40, 8.20
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Trance (15): Wed 12.30, 3, 5.30, 8, 10.30; Thu 12.30, 3, 5.30, 8
Jack The Giant Slayer 3D (12a): Fri-Sat 8.40, 11.20; Sun-Tues 8.40; Wed 8.40, 11.20; Thu 8.40
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The Incredible Burt Wonderstone (15): Fri-Sat 10.30; Wed 10.30
Welcome To The Punch (15): Fri-Sat 10; Wed 10
Wreck-It Ralph 2D (PG): Sat-Sun 10.40am, 1.30, 4.10

film of the week

JACK THE GIANT SLAYER

certificate 12A, 1h54m

THE English folktale of Jack and The Beanstalk is given a smart CGI-heavy makeover in this fast-paced fantasy.

It takes the familiar story of magic beans and a blood-thirsty behemoth as the foundations for a delightfully old-fashioned tale of derring-do replete with a boo-hiss villain and swooning damsel in distress.

A storybook opening sequence recounts the legend of King Erik, who, with the help of a magical crown, defeated the giants and banished them to their kingdom in the clouds. Many centuries later, farmboy Jack (Nicholas Hoult) is heading into town to sell his horse and cart when encounters a monk (Simon Lowe) bearing a pouch of stolen beans. "These beans have the power to change the world," the holy man tells Jack, "so don't lose them and whatever you do, don't get them wet".

That night a sudden deluge of rain causes one of the seeds to take root and a beanstalk rises terrifyingly into the sky, taking with it Jack's home and Princess Isabelle (Eleanor Tomlinson), who happened to be passing in the downpour. When King Brahmwell (Ian McShane) learns of his daughter's fate, he organises a search party including valiant knight Elmont (Ewan McGregor), his right-hand man Crawe (Eddie Marsan), Isabelle's conniving fiance Roderick (Stanley Tucci), snivelling sidekick Wicke (Ewen Bremner) and, of course, Jack.

At the top the beanstalk they discover an army of gargantuan warriors led by two-headed General Fallon (Bill Nighy, John Kassir) and his lieutenants, Fee, Fye, Foe and Fumm.

Jack The Giant Slayer establishes a cracking pace and there are few pauses between the breathlessly orchestrated set pieces, including a first encounter with the giants viewed through Jack's eyes as he holds his breath underwater. Hoult is an endearing hero who, despite being plagued by a fear of heights, comes to the fore in Isabelle's hour of need.Their romance is sweet, tempered by Tucci's delightful scenery-chewing as the Machiavellian traitor in the royal court.

Parents may want to view the film before unleashing very young children into this fairytale realm because the violence is quite strong for a I2A certificate, including at least one member of supporting cast losing his head between a giant's festering teeth.

However, the bloodshed isn't gratuitous and director Bryan Singer keeps most of the dismemberment off screen or blurred in the background.

Sowing the good seeds

IF your lawn looks tired and tatty and is covered in weeds, moss and bare patches, it might be time to bite the bullet and sow a new one.

The advantage of sowing a lawn from seed is obviously the cost – it is much cheaper to sow seed than to buy turves which may not be the exact quality you want and will also deteriorate rapidly if they are not laid as soon as you have bought them.

You can also pick your day to sow. It doesn't matter if the weather suddenly turns frosty – you can just wait for it to warm up a bit. There is more of an urgency if you buy turf – and if you are having it laid for you, you can't pick and choose your day.

With lawn seed, you can also select a number of different grasses which will be suitable for particular areas of your garden. If you have children you are likely to need a tougher variety than if you just want a velvety lawn which is rarely set foot upon.

But remember that there is no point in buying a very fine grade unless you are prepared to cut it at least twice a week, feed it, water it and give it all the TLC it needs.

Growing a lawn from seed requires much initial preparation of the soil. It is hard work, but it will be worth it in the end.

You will need to dig the ground over thoroughly, to a spade's depth. If you have a really big area to sow, it may be worth hiring a rotavator, but make sure you get rid of all the weeds beforehand. Otherwise, a rotavator will simply chop up running roots which will then spread, encouraging weeds to spring up all over the place.

by Hannah Stephenson

If you have very heavy clay soil, lighten it with grit, which you need to dig in. Rotted manure or compost should be added to light soil to give it some substance.

You can level minor humps and bumps as you go, but if the site is seriously uneven, you'll need to remove the topsoil and stack it somewhere, level off the subsoil and then replace the topsoil layer.

Remember when digging that the clods need to be broken down or your lawn will end up uneven. Trample roughly dug earth with your feet and break up hard clods with the back of your garden fork.

One of the most important jobs when sowing a new lawn is to consolidate the soil, firming the site as you go. Walk in overlapping steps, treading over the whole area with your heels, before sprinkling on a general fertiliser such as blood, fish and bone or a special lawn fertiliser. You need to choose a day when the soil is fairly dry and not sticking to your boots.

Finally, rake over the area and remove any remaining stones and debris, making sure that the surface level is firm, with no soft spots that will sink later.

The surface should have a fine, crumbly texture. You may have to go over it a few times before it is how you want it. Once the soil is prepared, you are ready to sow. It is, in fact, best to sow in late summer or early autumn, when the ground is still moist, but April is also a good time, provided you don't do it during an excessively dry spell. Sow at around 50g per square metre and if you are unsure, practise first on a sheet of paper on the garage floor, marking the area into metre squares with canes and string.

The late, great gardener Geoff Hamilton recommended an easier way of sprinkling the right amount of seed into a set area – stand with your feet wide apart, lean forward as far as you can go and that's about a square metre.

Sprinkle two handfuls of seed over the area you are covering and that should be about the right amount.

Once you have scattered the seed, rake it in with a spring-tine lawn rake – don't try to bury the seed or germination will be patchy – and then water if it doesn't rain within 24 hours. Try to use your finest rose on your watering can or sprinkler, though, or it will wash the seed into patches.

You will also need to protect the new lawn from birds, which are prone to using the seed bed as a dust bath. Put up some posts with flapping strips of plastic attached to frighten them off. Seedlings should appear two to three weeks after sowing, and when the grass is two or three inches high, roll it lightly using the back roller of a cylinder mower with the cutting head held high. This firms down the soil lifted by the seedlings and encourages them to produce new shoots.

After another few days, the lawn can be mown very lightly with the cutting blade at its highest. Don't cut the grass too closely in the first year and make sure it receives plenty of water when necessary – and try not to let the kids run riot in the first 12 months after sowing.

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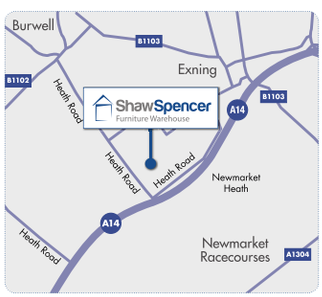

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6.00am Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 Nigel Slater's Simple Cooking. 12.00pm BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **12.15 Football Focus. 1.00 Formula 1 – Malaysian Grand Prix Qualifying Highlights. 2.15 Richard Hammond's Secret Service. 2.55 Kung Fu Panda: Secrets of the Furious Five. 3.15 FILM: National Treasure (2004).** Action adventure, starring Nicolas Cage. **5.15 FILM: Kung Fu Panda (2008).** Animated comedy, with the voice of Jack Black.

6.40 **BBC News;** Regional News; Weather.
7.00 **Pointless Celebrities.**
7.45 **The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins.** New series. Nick Knowles presents the game show in which strangers pair up to win money.
8.40 **Casualty.**
9.30 **Mrs Brown's Boys.** Agnes looks after a robotic baby.
10.00 **BBC News;** Weather.
10.15 **FILM: The Proposal (2009).** Romantic comedy, starring Sandra Bullock and Ryan Reynolds.
12.00am **The Football League Show.** National Lottery Update.
12.35 **FILM: Venom (2005).** Horror, starring Jonathan Jackson.
1.55 **Weatherview.**
2.00 **BBC News.**

BBC2

6.00am This Is BBC2. 7.30 Great British Menu. 10.00 A History of Britain by Simon Schama. 11.00 Meet the Ancestors. 11.30 Map Man. 12.00pm Country Show Cook Off. 2.30 Mastermind. 3.00 University Challenge. 3.30 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. 4.20 Restoration Home. 5.20 FILM: The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (2005).

7.00 **Flog It!** Making a profit at auction.
8.00 **Dad's Army.** Walmington-on-Sea leaves its mark on a visiting French general when the platoon repaints Lady Maltby's Rolls-Royce just in time for an official engagement.
8.30 **Natural World Special: Attenborough's Ark.** David Attenborough chooses the 10 endangered animals that he would most like to save from extinction, highlighting the work of biologists helping to keep them alive.
9.30 **FILM: Project Nim (2011).** Premiere. Documentary about a chimpanzee who was raised as the child of a human family in the 1970s, as an experiment to prove that apes were capable of understanding language.
11.05 **FILM: Zodiac (2007).** Fact-based crime thriller, starring Jake Gyllenhaal.
1.35am **This Is BBC2.**

ITV

6.00am CITV. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 10.20 My Tasty Travels with Lynda Bellingham. 11.20 Dinner Date. 12.20pm ITV News and Weather; Weather. **12.25 You've Been Framed! 12.55 FILM: Any Which Way You Can (1980).** Comedy sequel, starring Clint Eastwood. **3.00 The Chase: Celebrity Special. 4.00 Midsomer Murders.**

6.00 **ITV News Anglia;** Weather.
6.15 **ITV News and Weather.**
6.30 **New You've Been Framed!**
7.00 **Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway.** The duo play an undercover prank on One Direction.
8.20 **The Cube.** A police officer continues his challenge from last week, and a health club manager also competes to win a jackpot of £250,000. Game show, hosted by Phillip Schofield.
9.20 **The Jonathan Ross Show.** With Danny Boyle, Ian McShane, Nicholas Hoult, Bobby Womack and Damon Albarn. Last in the series.
10.20 **ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
10.35 **FILM: You, Me and Dupree (2006).** Comedy, starring Owen Wilson, Matt Dillon and Michael Douglas.
12.35am **Jackpot247.**
3.00 **Ladette to Lady: Australia.**
3.50 **ITV Nightscreen.**

CHANNEL 4

6.00am The Treacle People. 6.10 The Hoobs. 7.00 Freesports on 4. 7.30 The Grid. 7.55 The Morning Line. 8.55 Everybody Loves Raymond. 9.55 Frasier. 10.55 The Big Bang Theory. 11.50 The Simpsons. 12.45pm Deal or No Deal. 1.45 Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Doncaster and Newbury. **4.05 Come Dine with Me.**

6.35 **Channel 4 News.**
6.55 **4thought.tv.**
7.00 **Sarah Beeny's Selling Houses.** New series. Helping homeowners in Oxford attract buyers for their properties.
8.00 **Grand Designs.** Kevin McCloud follows people designing their dream home.
9.00 **FILM: The Time Traveler's Wife (2009).** A woman falls for a time traveller, but his journeys back and forth in her personal history put a strain on their marriage. Sci-fi drama, with Rachel McAdams and Eric Bana.
11.05 **Big Fat Quiz of the 90s.** Jimmy Carr grills five celebrities on the 1990s.
12.40am **FILM: Notorious (2009).** Premiere. Biopic of Notorious B.I.G., starring Jamal Woolard.
2.45 **Southland.**
3.25 **Hollyoaks.**
5.30 **Countdown.**

CHANNEL 5

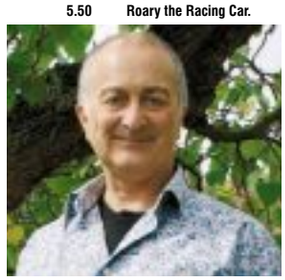
6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers Samurai. 10.35 Batman: The Brave and the Bold. 11.00 Inside Hollywood. 11.05 Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge. 12.05pm Whale Adventure with Nigel Marven. 1.05 CSI: Miami. 2.55 FILM: The Green Berets (1968). Vietnam War adventure, starring John Wayne. **5.45 FILM: Beach Red (1967).** Second World War drama, starring Cornel Wilde and Jean Wallace.

7.35 **5 News Weekend.**
7.40 **NCIS.** An army scientist goes missing.
9.25 **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.** Revealing photos of a 15-year-old rape victim are leaked on the internet, but Stabler is distracted from the case when his son and his shady school friend go missing.
10.25 **Law & Order: Criminal Intent.** A man who is being blackmailed is bludgeoned to death.
11.20 **CSI: NY.** Mac realises his stalker's motivation.
12.15am **SuperCasino.** Live interactive gaming.
4.00 **HouseBusters.**
4.25 **Divine Designs.**
4.50 **County Secrets.**
5.05 **Hana's Helpline.**
5.15 **The Milkshake! Show.**
5.40 **Thomas & Friends.**
5.50 **Roary the Racing Car.**

Pointless Celebrities, Saturday, BBC1, 7pm

Natural World Special: Attenborough's Ark, Saturday, BBC2, 8.30pm

Foyle's War, Sunday, ITV, 8pm


Time Team, Sunday, Channel 4, 5.30pm

SUNDAY

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Sunday Politics. Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.20pm Passover: Why Is This Night Different? 12.50 Countryfile. 1.45 Bargain Hunt. 2.30 Formula 1 – Malaysian Grand Prix Highlights. 4.30 Escape to the Country.** A couple search for a house in south Wales. **5.30 Songs of Praise.**

6.05 **Deadly 60 on a Mission.**
6.35 **BBC News;** Regional News; Weather.
7.00 **Countryfile.** How the skies above the Brecon Beacons have earned the national park a rare honour.
8.00 **Antiques Roadshow.** Fiona Bruce and the team pay a second visit to Chatham's Historic Dockyard in Kent.
9.00 **Our Girl.** One-off drama about a young woman with no prospects who joins the Army in the hope of finding herself. But first she has 14 weeks' basic training to get through. Lacey Turner stars.
10.30 **BBC News;** Regional News; Weather.
10.55 **Late Kick Off.** A round-up of the weekend's local Football League action.
11.25 **FILM: The Great Raid (2005).** Second World War drama, starring Benjamin Bratt.
1.30am **Weatherview.**
1.35 **BBC News.**

BBC2

6.00am This Is BBC2. 7.20 FILM: My Favorite Wife (1940). Screwball comedy, starring Cary Grant and Irene Dunne. **8.45 Gardeners' World. 9.15 The A to Z of TV Gardening. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites.** Highlights of the series. **11.30 Paul Hollywood's Bread. 12.00pm Live Athletics.** Coverage of the IAAF World Cross Country Championships. **2.05 EastEnders. 4.00 Rowing World Cup. 5.00 Secrets of Our Living Planet.**

6.00 **Flog It!**
7.00 **Dragons' Den.** A horror writer gets a surprising reaction.
8.00 **Best of Top Gear.** Highlights from the most recent series of the motoring magazine.
9.00 **Toughest Place to Be a Firefighter.** An East Sussex fireman works in the Brazilian state of Mato Grosso. Last in the series.
10.00 **Mock the Week Looks Back at Entertainment.** A selection from the show's archives on the theme of entertainment.
10.30 **It's Kevin.**
11.00 **FILM: Adventureland (2009).** Teen comedy, starring Jesse Eisenberg and Kristen Stewart.
12.40am **Sign Zone: How to Paint a Queen: A Culture Show Special.**
1.40 **Sign Zone: Holby City.**
2.40 **This Is BBC2.**

ITV

6.00am CITV. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 10.25 FILM: Carry On Follow That Camel (1967). Comedy, with Jim Dale. **12.15pm FILM: Carry On Camping (1969).** Comedy, starring Sid James. **1.55 ITV News and Weather;** Weather. **2.05 Doc Martin. 3.05 Food Glorious Food. 4.05 Agatha Christie's Marple.**

6.05 **You've Been Framed!**
6.35 **ITV News Anglia;** Weather.
6.45 **ITV News and Weather.**
7.00 **Coronation Street.** Hour-long episode. Stella, Karl and Sunita are rushed to hospital, and one of them loses the fight for life.
8.00 **Foyle's War.** New series. MI5 recruits Foyle to investigate a suspected Soviet spy ring. With Honeysuckle Weeks and Dylan Charles.
10.00 **Perspectives: Warwick Davis – The Seven Dwarfs of Auschwitz.** A Jewish family of travelling musicians who survived the concentration camp.
11.00 **ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
11.15 **Premiership Rugby Union.** Action from the 18th round of fixtures.
12.15am **The Store.**
2.15 **Monk.**
3.05 **ITV Nightscreen.**
5.05 **The Jeremy Kyle Show.**

CHANNEL 4

6.15am The Hoobs. 7.10 Will & Grace. 7.35 Everybody Loves Raymond. 8.30 Frasier. 9.30 Sunday Brunch. 12.10pm The Big Bang Theory. 1.10 The Simpsons. 2.10 Undercover Boss USA. 3.10 FILM: Clash of the Titans (1981). Adventure, with Harry Hamlin. **5.30 Time Team.**

6.30 **Channel 4 News.**
6.55 **4thought.tv.**
7.00 **Celebrity Deal or No Deal.** Chat-show host Jonathan Ross takes on the Banker in the hope of winning up to £250,000 for his chosen charity.
8.00 **The Secret Millions.** TV farmer Jimmy Doherty works with a charity helping disabled people.
9.00 **FILM: Red (2010).** Premiere. A retired CIA agent survives an assassination attempt, and reunites his hit squad to find out who wants them dead. Action thriller, with Bruce Willis.
11.15 **FILM: Kill List (2011).** Premiere. Thriller, starring Neil Maskell.
12.55am **First Time Farmers.**
1.50 **FILM: I'm Not Scared (2003).** Thriller, starring Giuseppe Cristiano.
3.35 **Come Dine with Me.**
4.30 **Deal or No Deal.**
5.25 **Countdown.**

CHANNEL 5

6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers Samurai. 10.35 Batman: The Brave and the Bold. 11.00 Inside Hollywood. 11.10 Monkey Life. 11.40 Cowboy Builders. 12.40pm World's Scariest Near Misses. 1.40 FILM: Legally Blonde (2001). Comedy, starring Reese Witherspoon. **3.30 FILM: Getting Even with Dad (1994).** Family comedy, starring Macaulay Culkin and Ted Danson. **5.35 5 News Weekend. 5.40 FILM: The Goonies (1985).** Adventure, with Sean Astin.

7.55 **FILM: Miss Congeniality (2000).** An FBI agent goes undercover as a contestant in a Miss United States beauty pageant, which a terrorist has threatened to bomb. Comedy, starring Sandra Bullock and Michael Caine.
10.00 **Person of Interest.** Elias plots to kill the heads of the five New York Mafia families.
10.55 **FILM: The Exorcism of Emily Rose (2005).** Horror, starring Tom Wilkinson and Laura Linney.
1.15am **SuperCasino.**
4.00 **HouseBusters.**
4.25 **House Doctor.**
4.50 **County Secrets.**
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What's hot on the property market

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Fordham **Offers Over £345,000**

An individual detached 4 bedroom house delightfully situated in a highly regarded non estate location with a large established South facing garden. The property has the advantage of a superb family room/ dining room and separate living room, a bathroom and separate shower room and an open plan modern fitted kitchen. EPC: D

Newmarket
£147,500

A well presented 2 bedroom semi-detached property attractively situated over looking an open green. EPC: C

Burwell
£215,000

A charming 2 bedroom semi-detached period cottage with exceptional chararcter and standing in a popular location in the centre of the village. EPC: E

Burwell
£249,950

A modern 4 bedroom detached house standing at the head of a small cul de sac and close to the centre of the village. EXCELLENT VALUE - NO CHAIN. EPC: tbc

Exning
£130,000

A charming 2 bedroom Victorian cottage standing in a popular location with the advantage of a good sized enclosed rear garden. NO CHAIN. EPC: F

Newmarket
£115,000

A well presented first floor 2 bedroom apartment attractively situated over looking Newmarket Hospital. NO CHAIN - EXCELLENT VALUE. EPC: C

Newmarket
£125,000

A 3 bedroom Victorian terraced property standing in an established residential location on the South East side of town. NO CHAIN. EPC: E

Isleham
£217,500

A superbly presented modern 3 bedroom detached house stnading in a non-estate village location. The accommodation includes a sitting room, dining room & a modern fitted kitchen. EPC: D

Newmarket
£210,000

A modern 3 bedroom semi-detached house with the advantage of a ground floor cloakroom, large conservatory, separate family room and enclosed rear garden. EPC: D

Dalham **£350,000**

A delightful Grade II listed detached 2 bedroom cottage offering a wealth of character and is attractively situated close to the heart of the village. The cottage dates from the 18th century and benefits include 2 reception rooms with exposed timbers and inglenook fireplaces, a large open plan kitchen/breakfast room & a walled garden with a gated approach. EPC: D

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Burwell **£295,000**

A beautifully presented 4 bedroom detached house forming part of a select development within this sought after village. Features include a ground floor cloakroom, separate utility room, master bedroom with ensuite shower room and enclosed garden with hot tub. An outstanding family house - EARLY VIEWING RECOMMENDED. EPC: C

Newmarket **£310,000**

A beautifully presented 4 bedroom semi-detached period property standing in a highly regarded location on the edge of town with delightful views over paddocks. The property is finished to an exceptional standard and features a superb well equipped fitted kitchen, a breakfast room and 2 further reception rooms. VIEWING ESSENTIAL. EPC: D

Newmarket **£475,000**

An individual 4 bedroom detached house standing in a superb location South of the town with picturesque views over stud paddocks. The accommodation is well presented and includes 3 reception rooms, a ground floor shower room, 2 ensuite shower/bathrooms and a large kitchen/breakfast room. EARLY VIEWING RECOMMENDED. EPC: D

Woodditton **£425,000**

Meadow Croft stands in an idyllic setting surrounded by paddock land and open countryside. Constructed in brick and flint under a pantiled roof, the property is believed to date from 1850 and has excellent accommodation including 2 reception rooms, conservatory and 4 bedrooms. EPC: F

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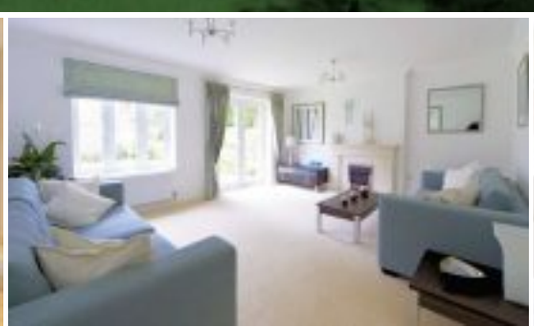

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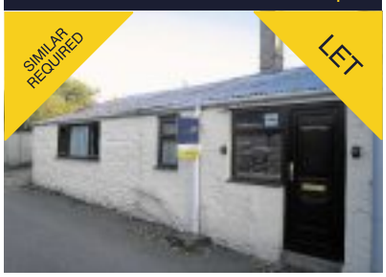
Newmarket £154,950

A well presented 3 bedroom Victorian cottage set within a popular residential area just to the north of the town centre. EPC rating: F

Stetchworth £395 pcm

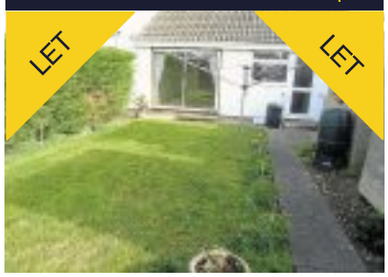


A spacious 1 bedroom bungalow situated within the popular village of Stetchworth. EPC rating: E

Newmarket £119,500

A beautifully refurbished and spacious 2 bedroom 1st floor apartment with a balcony, garden and off road parking. EPC rating: C

Soham £595 pcm

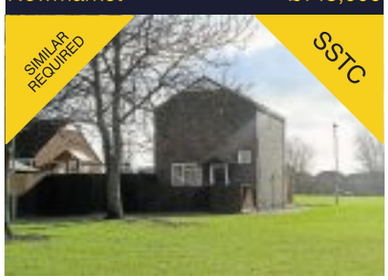


A recently decorated semi detached bungalow. Accommodation comprises of 2 double bedrooms, sitting/dining room, bathroom, kitchen & garden. EPC rating: D

Isleham £143,000

Situated on the edge of the popular village of Isleham this deceptively spacious cottage offers superb value for money, ideal for first time buyers. EPC rating: E

Newmarket £145,000



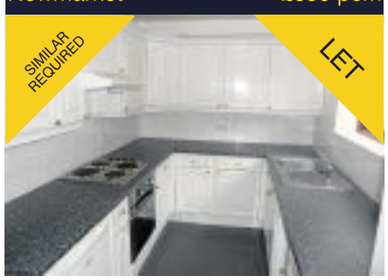
A rarely available, 2 bedroom detached house occupying an enviable position on the edge of a green within this well established residential area. EPC rating: C

JUST ANOTHER WEEK OF WHAT WE DO BEST!

Newmarket £625 pcm

A spacious end of terrace house located north of the town centre on Studlands Park. Hall, cloakroom, sitting room, 2 double bedrooms, garden & parking. EPC rating: C

Newmarket £650 pcm

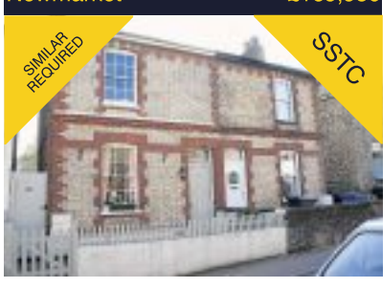


Set within a development close to the town centre. Large living room, kitchen, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom. Allocated parking space. EPC rating: C

Newmarket £675 pcm

A 2 bedroom end of terrace house, benefitting from a full range of kitchen appliances. EPC rating: D

Newmarket £169,950

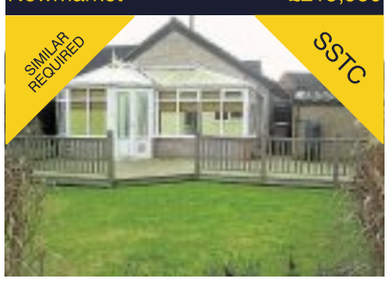


A delightful 2 bedroom semi detached Victorian cottage of distinct charm and character. EPC rating: E

Newmarket £650 pcm

Luxury apartment with large living room, kitchen area, 2 bedrooms, bathroom with shower & secure parking. EPC rating: C

Newmarket £219,950



A truly stunning 3 bedroom bungalow occupying a pleasant position on a no through road within a much sought after residential development. EPC rating: C

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Burrough Green £179,950

An attractive semi detached cottage delightfully positioned within a picturesque village setting close to open countryside.

Sitting room, generous country kitchen/dining room, sun room, 2 good sized bedrooms, 1st floor bathroom, garden, garage and off road parking. No Chain

EPC rating: E

Gazeley £665,000

A superbly presented detached 4/5 bedroom family house with spacious annex accommodation, set in extensive gardens of about 1.2 acres (subject to survey) with stables.

This substantial house has recently undergone a comprehensive & sympathetic programme of refurbishment and extension, providing an excellent & versatile family living environment in a delightful village location.

EPC rating:D

Icklingham £154,950

A charming and deceptively large semi detached period brick and flint cottage of character enjoying a 17ft sitting room, 3 double bedrooms, garden and parking.

With origins dating back to the 18th Century and formerly a local tradesman's shop the cottage offers many period features including exposed beams and original internal doors.

EPC rating: E

Ashley £307,500

A rarely available 3 bedroom family house located within the much sought after village of Ashley. EPC rating: TBC

Newmarket £279,950

A very well presented 4 bedroom detached house situated in a sought after residential area on the south side of Newmarket. Excellent value for money. EPC rating: D

Newmarket £319,950

A superb and beautifully presented 4 bedroom detached family house located to the north of Newmarket Town Centre. EPC rating: D

Isleham £139,750

A 2 bedroom cottage style modern house which has been refurbished to a high standard. Sitting room, refitted kitchen & bathroom, garden & parking. EPC rating: C

Newmarket £126,500

A well presented 2 bedroom house occupying a pleasant position on the edge of this increasingly popular residential area to the north of Newmarket. EPC rating: TBC

Newmarket £122,000

A charming 2 bedroom freehold apartment that would prove to be an excellent rental investment or first time purchase. EPC rating: E

Burwell £74,950

A superb retirement apartment providing spacious accommodation & situated in this exclusive development with a 24hr emergency care line. EPC: B

Newmarket £179,950

An updated and spacious 3 bedroom semi detached house set within an established and popular residential area just to the north of the town centre. EPC rating: D

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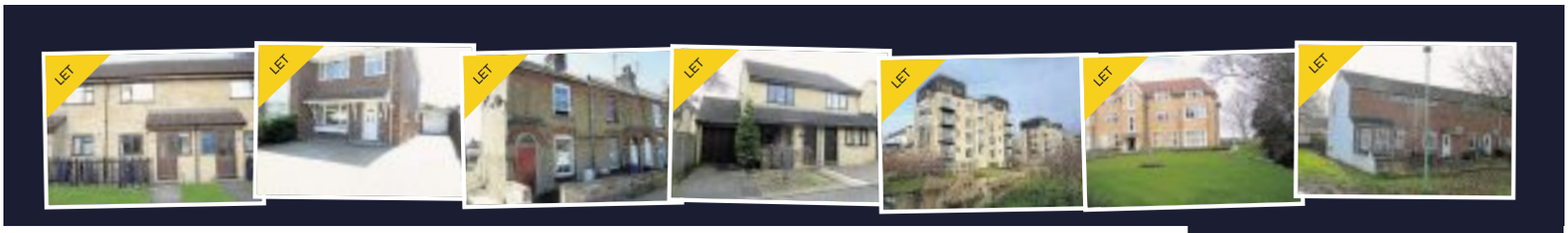

Mildenhall £495 pcm

An interesting 1 bedroom apartment on the 2nd floor of a converted period house in this market town. EPC rating:C

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Newmarket £575 pcm

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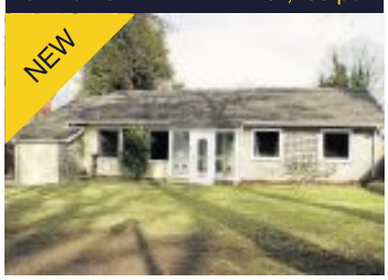

An excellent detached single story residence providing superb 3/4 bedroom living accommodation with gardens. EPC rating: E

Exning £595 pcm

A surprisingly large 2 storey 2 bedroom flat situated within the popular village of Exning. Sitting room, large kitchen/dining room, off road parking. Available now. EPC rating: D

Newmarket £625 pcm

A terraced house located a short distance from the town centre, accommodation comprises of; 2 double rooms, 2 reception rooms & courtyard. EPC rating: D

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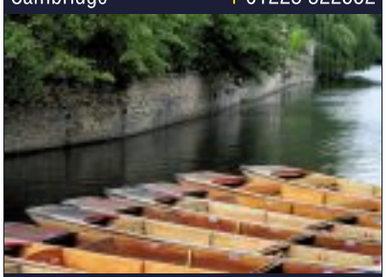
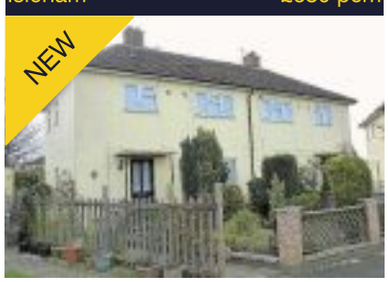


Isleham £680 pcm



A well presented semi detached 3 bedroom house set at the end of a cul de sac within this well served village. Available now, unfurnished. EPC rating: E

Newmarket £575 pcm

A detached 1 bedroom property with sitting room, kitchen with electric cooker & fridge, bathroom with shower cubicle, Rear courtyard & single garage. EPC rating: C

Burwell £750 pcm

A very spacious 3 bedroom semi detached house enjoying a large garden with off road parking and set within the popular village of Burwell. EPC rating: E

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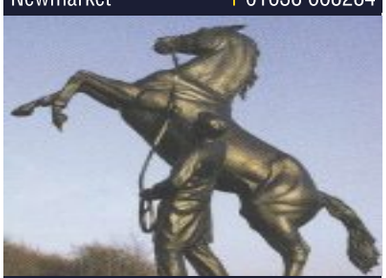
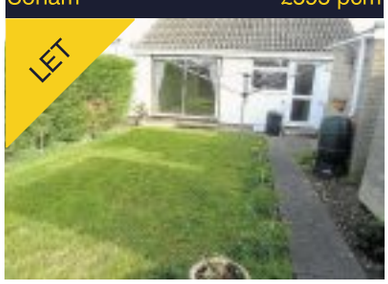


Soham £595 pcm



A recently decorated semi detached bungalow. Accommodation comprises of 2 double bedrooms, sitting/dining room, bathroom, kitchen & garden. EPC rating: D

Newmarket £625 pcm

A smartly presented 2 bedroom end of terrace cottage. Sitting room, dining room, large kitchen, refitted bathroom. Available now. EPC rating:D

Newmarket £650 pcm

Luxury apartment with large living room, kitchen area, 2 bedrooms, bathroom with shower & secure parking. EPC rating: C

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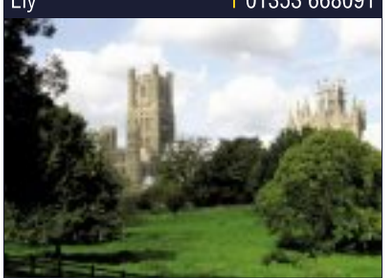

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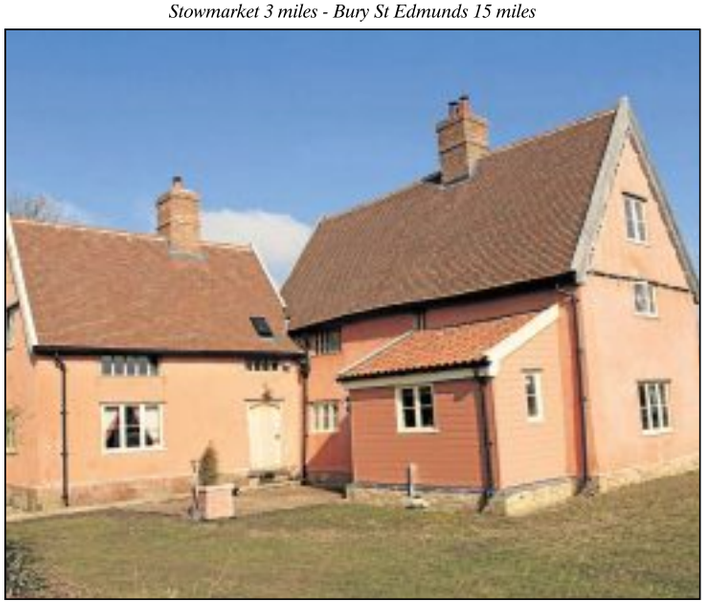
Stowmarket 3 miles - Bury St Edmunds 15 miles



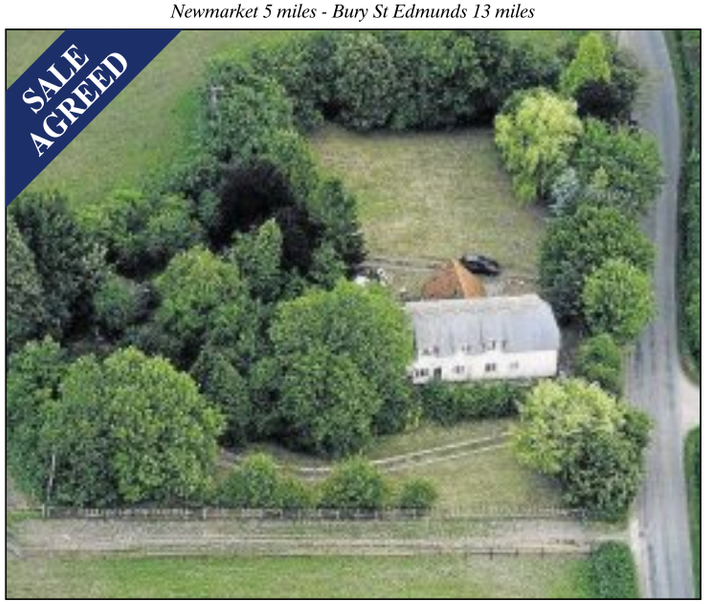
An outstanding Grade II Listed timber framed home with grounds of approximately 6 acres. Sitting room, dining room, drawing room, kitchen, utility room, bathroom, 5 bedrooms (1 ensuite), double garage and gardens.

In all about 6 acres

Guide £750,000

KIRTLING

Newmarket 5 miles - Bury St Edmunds 13 miles



A charming Grade II listed 16th century cottage situated in a sought after village location. Sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, 2 bathrooms, wet room, 5 bedrooms, views and double garage.

In all about 0.82 of an acre.

Guide £545,000

CHEVELEY

Newmarket 3 miles - Bury St Edmunds 13 miles

A contemporary detached property situated in a popular village location. Sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, 4 bedrooms (2 ensuite), bathroom, garage and garden.

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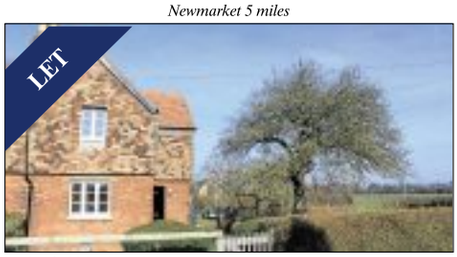
EPC Rating B

Guide £499,950

SIX MILE BOTTOM

Newmarket 5 miles



A refurbished semi detached cottage backing onto countryside. Sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, bathroom, 3 bedrooms, garage and garden.

To Let £650 pcm

SIX MILE BOTTOM

Newmarket 5 miles

A spacious detached property in a rural location. Sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, parking and gardens.

To Let £1,350 pcm

SIX MILE BOTTOM

Newmarket 5 miles

A detached Victorian cottage in a rural location. Sitting room, dining room, kitchen, bathroom, 2 bedrooms and large garden.

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Newmarket 8 miles - Bury St Edmunds 14 miles

A beautifully presented modern barn style detached property enjoying a peaceful village location.
Sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, family/dining room, study, utility,
5 bedrooms (2 ensuite), bathroom, cart lodge and gardens.

EPC Rating D

Guide £550,000

CLARE

Newmarket 13 miles - Bury St Edmunds 16 miles

A unique Georgian style property situated in an exclusive location close to amenities. Sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, utility room, family room, study, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, (1 ensuite), bathroom and double garage.

Guide £575,000

DULLINGHAM

Newmarket 3 miles - Bury St Edmunds 19 miles

A modern spacious detached home enjoying a popular village location. Sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, garage and gardens.

Guide £395,000

HARGRAVE

Bury St Edmunds 6 miles - Newmarket 9 miles

A charming 16th Century Grade II listed detached property situated in a quiet rural location. Drawing room, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, study, utility, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, shower room and substantial garage block.

In all about 0.5 of an acre.

Guide £550,000

DENHAM

Newmarket 8 miles - Bury St Edmunds 7 miles

A charming detached Grade II listed cottage situated in a quiet rural location. Sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, boot room, garden room, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom and garage.

In all about 0.3 of an acre.

Guide £415,000

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EXNING - NO UPWARD CHAIN £199,000

Greatly extended and recently refurbished three bedroom family home.
This property has been the subject of extensive modernisation. It boasts well-proportioned and versatile living accommodation and three bedrooms with the added benefit of a delightful rear garden with large storage shed and patio. EPC rating D

EXQUISITE TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT £625,000

Situated within an impressive Grade II Listed Victorian mansion close to Newmarket town centre.
Boasting a wealth of period features including wonderful high ceilings, sash windows and open fireplaces with modern kitchen/bathroom facilities and an integrated entertainment system. Externally, it benefits from a large private terrace in addition to communal gardens and two allocated parking spaces. EPC rating E

BEAUTIFUL COTTAGE OFFERS IN EXCESS OF £325,000

SUBSTANTIAL THREE BEDROOM PERIOD DETACHED HOME IN THE HEART OF FORDHAM WITH EXCELLENT GARDENS
Boasting open fireplaces, exposed beams and sash windows. Externally it also offers delightful private gardens and excellent off-road parking facilities. EPC rating E

FAMILY HOME IN 2 ACRES (STS), CHEVELEY £499,950

An extensive detached property situated in the sought after village of Cheveley benefitting from extensive grounds and equestrian facilities.
Incorporating four bedrooms, five spacious reception rooms, a beautiful newly fitted kitchen, secure gated entrance with ample off road parking, integral garage, paddocks and four stables. EPC rating F

THREE BEDROOM END TERRACE £185,000

Well-presented traditional-style end terrace residence in Exning.
Offering spacious, light and airy living accommodation with the added benifet of double glazing and gas-fired central heating. Accommodation includes three double bedrooms, a large kitchen and a separate dining room. Externally it also offers a fully enclosed rear garden and walled front garden. EPC rating D

WELL PRESENTED THREE BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW IN HARGRAVE £299,000

This well presented family home occupies a pleasant location in this desirable village.
It offers spacious three bedroom double glazed accommodation including a modern kitchen and conservatory. Externally it boasts an attractive garden with summerhouse and benefits from a single garage with additional carport. EPC rating D

BEAUTIFUL GARDENS AND OPEN VIEWS £435,000

Immaculate four bedroom detached family residence in a popular residential area of Great Bradley.
Having been the subject of great care and attention by its current owners, this residence is presented in excellent condition throughout. It boasts generously proportioned rooms and as a result. EPC rating D

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A BEAUTIFULLY PRESENTED THREE BEDROOM FAMILY HOME IN BURWELL £265,000

In excellent decorative order and with attractively landscaped gardens.
A beautifully presented family home set on the edge of this popular Burwell development. The property is a 'linked' semi detached house offering three bedrooms and three bathrooms together with two reception rooms, kitchen utility and ground floor cloakroom. EPC rating C

SPACIOUS FIVE BEDROOM ACCOMMODATION £500,000

Immaculate detached residence this highly regarded village of Exning.
Extensively refurbished family home occupies a pleasant and secluded location on the edge of this sought after village. Externally it also offers gated off-road parking, a double integrated garage and excellent gardens. EPC rating C

EXTENDED END OF TERRACE HOUSE £179,950

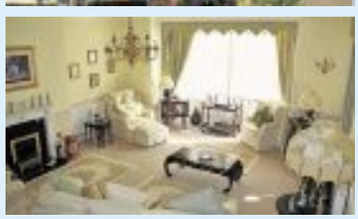
Offering excellent accommodation including an open plan sitting/dining area, kitchen, utility room, upstairs bathroom and two good-sized bedrooms.
Externally it benefits from a low maintenance courtyard garden with gate providing access to the side of the property. EPC rating E

SMART THREE BEDROOM END TERRACE £199,995

Enjoying a private location on the edge of this popular development.
Accommodation includes two reception rooms and three bedrooms (master en-suite), modern kitchen and bathroom facilities. Externally, it also offers two allocated parking spaces and a delightful enclosed low maintenance garden. EPC rating C

DETACHED THREE BEDROOM FAMILY HOME IN STETCHWORTH £249,950

This beautifully decorated detached property offers spacious accommodation in a sought after, private location within this ever popular village.
It benefits from three double bedrooms, attractive. This property also benefits from being in the catchment area for outstanding schools. Good links to Cambridge and London. EPC rating D



LUXURY APARTMENT £295,000

Located in a premier gated development in central Newmarket.
The generously proportioned second floor accommodation comprisies a large sitting room, modern fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, two double bedrooms (master en-suite) and family bathroom. Well manicured communal gardens, allocated garage and private leisure facilities. EPC rating C

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BURWELL £295,000

NEW

A fabulous four bedroom detached family home tucked away at the very end of a cul de sac with a double garage and enclosed rear garden. Situated within the well served village of Burwell this property is well worth a look.

SOHAM £650

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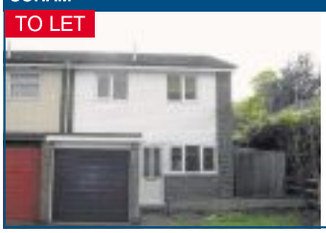

A semi detached residence situated close to the town centre. 3 good bedrooms, Living room conservatory modern kitchen bathroom & cloakroom. Gas radiator heating. Garage & driveway. EPC E

WICKHAMBROOK £700

TO LET

Established Semi-detached house in the popular village of Wickhambrook with wide ranging views. Entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, utlity room, cloakroom, three bedrooms and family bathroom

BARROW £245,000

VACANT

A recently refurbished three bedroom detached bungalow in a quite village with good access to both Bury St. Edmunds and Newmarket. The property has the benefit of double glazed windows, new kitchen, new bathroom and new carpets throughout. EPC D

MANDERSTON ROAD £107,950

NEW PRICE

A spacious ground floor two bedroom apartment with gas radiator heating, modern kitchen and offered with no upward chain.

SOHAM £800

TO LET

Detached bungalow with gardens and off street parking, gas central heating, double glazing. Three bedrooms, living room, dining room ,kitchen and bathroom.

GROVE GARDENS OFFERS OVER £145,000

VACANT

A well presented and extended two bedroom semi detached bungalow situated within an exclusive development within the popular village of Fordham. Hall, Lounge, Dining Area, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Enclosed Garden.

RED LODGE £109,950

NEW

A truly stunning modern first floor maisonette offering spacious accommodation which includes Entrance Hall, Living/Dining Room, Kitchen with Separate Pantry, Inner Hallway, Master Bedroom with En-Suite, 2nd Bedroom, Good size Bathroom, Communal Garden and Allocated Parking.

NEWMARKET £950

INCENTIVE

A two bedroom semi detached bungalow within popular location with large living room, enclosed garden and double length garage. £150 OFF FOR 10 DAY MOVE!!!

NEWMARKET £180,000

NEW PRICE

A cleverly extended three bedroom semi detached family home in a popular location close to the town and all facilities. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Three bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Radiator Heating, Garage and Enclosed Garden.

CARLTON £325,000

MUST BE VIEWED

A fabulous oportunity to purchase an extended three bedroom detached bungalow in a sought after village location on the Cambridgeshire/Suffolk borders with panaramic views over open countryside. Porch, Reception hall, Three bedrooms, Lounge with solid fuel burner, Modern Kitchen/Breakfast, Sun Lounge/Dining area, Enclosed garden and garage. EPC D

SOHAM £620

TO LET

Recently built two bedroom house situated in peaceful location close to the actual town centre and benefitting from a courtyard garden.

NEWMARKET £695

TO LET

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A refurbished three bedroom semi detached family home with a long garden, double glazing, gas radiator heating, kitchen and bathroom.

NEWMARKET £134,950

NEW

A two bedroom end of terrace home pleasantly situated opposite an open green. The accommodation comprises of an Entrance Hall, Kitchen, Lounge/Diner, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Radiator Heating, Garden & Garage in Block.. EPC "E"

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Burwell - £520,000

THIS individual detached family home is set within lovely gardens in Low Road, a well-regarded location close to all the amenities in the thriving village of Burwell.
On the market for £520,000, the property has spacious and well proportioned rooms throughout, and also offers scope for extension, subject to the relevant planning consents.
The accommodation includes an entrance porch, reception hall, cloakroom, kitchen, utility room, three reception rooms, five double bedrooms and a bathroom.
A special feature of this property is the extensive and delightful gardens, complete with vegetable plots and an orchard, that extend to approximately half an acre. To the front there is a garage and ample off-road driveway parking for numerous vehicles.

For further details or to arrange a viewing, contact Morris Armitage on (01638) 560221.

Ashley - £307,500

RARELY available, this family house is in a stunning semi-rural setting in Mill Road in the sought-after village of Ashley.
A guide price of £307,500 is invited for the property, which has a wonderful outlook across rolling countryside.
The spacious accommodation includes an entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen, dining room, three bedrooms and a bathroom.
There is also a driveway with ample parking, a garage, and lovely gardens to the front and rear.

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Chapel Lane, Wicken

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£850pcm
Available: Immediately

Armstrong Close, Newmarket

A good size two bedroom flat situated close to the train station. Entrance hall, large lounge, kitchen with appliances, bathroom and shower, gas central heating, allocated parking.

£575pcm
Available: Immediately

Belmont Court, High Street, Newmarket

A two bedroom first floor apartment. Entrance hall, two double bedrooms, newly fitted kitchen. Lounge with balcony, bathroom, communal gardens, gas c/h.

£600pcm
Available: 31/03/2013

Park Lane, Newmarket

Central three bedroom terrace. Lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom and shower. Three bedrooms, re-decorated, gas central heating, rear yard.

£550pcm
Available: Immediately

Nightingale Close, Mildenhall

One bed apartment on two levels. Lounge, kitchen, bathroom and shower, galleried bedroom, good size garden and 2 parking spaces. Gas heating. Sorry, no smokers or pets.

£450pcm
Available: 04/04/2013

Russet Drive, Red Lodge

A modern three bedroom house in close proximity to the USAF bases. Fitted kitchen with all appliances, garage, driveway, rear garden and gas c/h.

£825pcm
Available: 18/04/2013

Westley Crossing, Six Mile Bottom

A two bedroom furnished cottage just a few miles from Newmarket. Entrance porch, good size kitchen / diner with appliances, dining room, lounge, oil fired c/h, large garden, parking

£650pcm
Available: Immediately

Newnham Close, Mildenhall, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.

Three bedroom house with fully fitted kitchen with all appliances; conservatory; three good sized bedrooms; bathroom with shower. Front and rear gardens, gas c/h and parking.

£700pcm
Available: 07/04/2013

Green Farm Lane, Barrow

Three bedroom detached house with garage. Entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen / diner, conservatory, bathroom and shower. Enclosed rear garden. gas central heating (LPG)

£725pcm
Available: 31/03/2013

Nunnery Green, Wickhambrook

A re-decorated three bedroom bungalow. Good size kitchen / diner, lounge, bathroom with shower, front and rear gardens, oil fired central heating.

£675pcm
Available: Immediately

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STEEPLE BUMPSTEAD

A substantial period residence in beautiful gardens of about 2 acres with an excellent range of outbuildings, in a peaceful location adjacent to the parish church.

Hall, Drawing Room, Dining Room, Conservatory, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Family Room/Study, Sun Room, Laundry/Boot Room, Cloakroom, Cellars. 5 Bedrooms, 3 Bathrooms (1 En-Suite), Dressing Room, Extensive Outbuildings, Garages and Kennels, Grass Tennis Court, Swimming Pool and Delightful Landscaped Gardens. JSA Carter Jonas 01223 368771. EPC Rating 'F'.

Guide Price £1,275,000

WIXOE

A charming and superbly presented Grade II Listed village house with a heated outdoor swimming pool, hard tennis court and attractive established gardens.

Hall, Drawing Room, Dining Room, Study, Breakfast/Sitting Room, Kitchen, Conservatory, Utility Room, Cloakroom, Wine Cellar. Master Bedroom with Dressing Room and En-Suite Bathroom, 5 Further Bedrooms and 2 Bath/Shower Rooms. Driveway and Parking, Converted Stables with Small Kitchen and Shower Room. JSA Carter Jonas 01223 368771. EPC Rating 'F'.

Guide Price £995,000

STRADISHALL

An impressive 1930's family house with delightful grounds and paddock extending to 4 acres (STS)

Reception Hall, Dining Room, Drawing Room, Family Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Study, Utility Room, Cloakroom and Garage/Games Room. Master Bedroom with En Suite, 3 Further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway, Parking, Garden, Paddock and Stables. EPC Rating 'F'.

Guide Price £785,000

FORDHAM

An attractive Grade II Listed Regency village house in an idyllic setting with the River Snail running through the mature grounds of about 1.38 acres (STS).

Reception Hall, Drawing Room, Dining Room, Sitting Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Conservatory, Utility Room, Cloakroom, Cellar, Workshop. Six Bedrooms and Three Bathrooms. Driveway and Parking, Garage, External Stores, Mature Well Maintained Gardens and Grounds of about 1.38 acres (STS). JSA Redmayne Arnold & Harris 01223 323130. EPC Rating 'G'.

Guide Price £1,150,000

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WORLINGTON

A charming and well presented detached period cottage with an attractive enclosed garden.

Drawing Room, Sitting/Dining Room, Study, Kitchen, Bedroom 4, Shower/Utility Room. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Parking, Enclosed Rear Garden and Workshop. EPC Rating 'F'.

Guide Price £339,500

NEWMARKET

A superb first floor apartment situated in this highly thought of development with the use of communal grounds and leisure facilities.

Entrance Hall, Sitting/Dining Room, Kitchen. Master Bedroom with En-Suite Bathroom, Bedroom Two and Shower Room. Private and Visitors Parking, Communal Grounds and Leisure Facilities. EPC Rating 'E'.

New Guide Price £265,000

BURROUGH GREEN

A charming and superbly presented Grade II Listed detached cottage enjoying views over the village green.

Entrance Porch, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Study, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility Room and Bathroom. Landing, Bedroom 1 with En-Suite Bathroom and Two Further Bedrooms. Driveway and Parking, Detached Single Garage and Attractive Enclosed Garden. EPC Rating 'D'.

Guide Price £340,000

NEWMARKET

An impressive racing establishment in a prime location with a substantial detached bungalow, 5 stables and paddocks.

Hall, 3 Reception Rooms, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility Room, Cloakroom. Master Bedroom with Dressing Room and En-Suite Bathroom, Guest Bedroom with En-Suite Bathroom, 2 Further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Office, Garage, Workshop and Garden. EPC Rating 'D'. HISTORIC PLANNING PERMISSION FOR A FURTHER 15 STABLES.

Guide Price £775,000

NEWMARKET

A secluded gated development of 6 substantial luxurious apartments with unrivalled views over Warren Hill Gallops.

Grand Lobby, Kitchen, Sitting/Dining Room, Master Bedroom with Dressing Room and En-Suite Bathroom, Guest Bedroom with En-Suite Shower Room, Bedroom 3 and Shower/Cloakroom, Utility/Laundry Room. Two Allocated Parking Spaces, Balcony/Terrace to all main rooms, Communal Grounds and Lift access to all floors. EPC Rating 'C'.

Guide Price £695,000

NEWMARKET

A superbly presented and well designed family house finished to the highest specification with an attractive garden.

Hall, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Study, Kitchen/ Breakfast Room, Utility Room, Cloakroom. Master Bedroom with Dressing Room and En-Suite Shower Room, Guest Bedroom with En-Suite Shower Room, Three Further Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Driveway and Parking, Detached Double Garage and Enclosed Garden. EPC Rating 'C'.

Guide Price £570,000

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ISLEHAM £100,000 NEW PRICE

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BURWELL £279,995 NEW

A beautifully presented 4 bedroom detached home set within a sought after cul de sac. Comprising cloakroom, 3 reception rooms and refitted kitchen. South facing garden. EPC (tbc)

SOHAM £167,500 NEW

A superbly presented and greatly improved 3 bedroom modern property set within this recent development towards the outskirts of town. Driveway parking and gardens. EPC (tbc)

ISLEHAM £250,000 NEW PRICE

A detached bungalow towards the end of a quiet no through road, greatly extended and deceptively spacious with south facing garden and open views over farmland. 2 reception rooms, 4 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms. No onward chain, viewing is essential. EPC (D)

BURWELL £425,000 NEW

A detached 4 bedroom bungalow occupying an approximate quarter acre plot with delightful gardens overlooking countryside. With first floor accommodation ideal as a self contained flat/granny annex. No chain Viewing essential to appreciate size and versatility. EPC (tbc)

BURWELL £399,950 NEW

An individual detached property standing within delightful gardens. Three/four reception rooms, four double bedrooms (en-suite to master). Off road parking and garages. EPC (tbc)

BURWELL £239,000 NEW

A refurbished detached 3 bedroom bungalow comprising refitted kitchen and bathroom, good size lounge/diner. generous south/west facing gardens, driveway/garage. EPC (C)

BURWELL £139,995

A modern 2 bedroom terrace home set within walking distance to the village centre. Includes refitted kitchen/diner, an enclosed garden parking for two vehicles. NO CHAIN. EPC (tbc)

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EXNING £175,000 NEW / SOLD STC

A charming Victorian property set within this picturesque village. Offers 2 reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room and three bedrooms. Long garden and parking/garage facilities. EPC (E)

NEWMARKET £155,000 NEW

A stylish Victorian property completely improved and offering accommodation to include refitted kitchen, two double bedrooms and a first floor four piece bathroom suite. EPC (tbc)

NEWMARKET £119,000

A spacious first floor apartment offering light and airy rooms throughout, enjoying accommodation to include living room, kitchen/breakfast room, 2 double bedrooms. EPC (F)

ASHLEY £210,000

An extended and improved three bedroom semi-detached family home delightfully set on the edge of this highly regarded and sought after village. Offering a superb and fully enclosed rear garden with pleasant views to front overlooking open fields. EPC (E)

NEWMARKET £339,950

A superb brand new 4 bedroom townhouse, finished with the upmost care and attention, cleverly designed and boasting generous size living room, dining room, kitchen with built in appliances, 2 bathrooms, cloakrooom. Courtyard style garden, allocated parking. EPC (tbc)

EXNING £150,000 NEW

A well presented and tastefully decorated 2 bedroom Victorian cottage standing on the edge of this sought after village with easy access to both the A14 and Cambridge. EPC (tbc)

NEWMARKET £179,000 NEW

A superbly improved home boasting living room, superb kitchen/dining room with granite worktops, 4 bedrooms and a refitted bathroom suite. Outstanding family home. EPC (tbc)

NEWMARKET £154,995 NEW / SOLD STC

An improved 2 bedroom end of terrace property set within an established development on the edge of town. With superb conservatory and the rarity of a block paved driveway. EPC (tbc)

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Moving home can be a complicated business and in the hectic run up to the big day it is all too easy to forget something vital. The Homesnow team offers their readers this handy checklist to help avoid any major pitfalls. We suggest you tick them off as you go....

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1 4–2 WEEKS TO GO:

- ❑ **Packing** – start packing and sorting through your belongings. Now is a good time to de-clutter and pack items rarely used. Make sure you have plenty of sturdy boxes, bubble wrap and sticky tape.
- ❑ **Removal companies** – get estimates from removal companies, checking that comprehensive insurance cover is available against damage or loss. Is there a packing and unpacking service? Confirm the date of your move with the firm you have chosen.
- ❑ **Insurance** – check on your home contents insurance policies to ensure that you are covered for the move, and covered at your new address.
- ❑ **Utilities** – make arrangements for your gas and electricity meters (plus water meters where relevant) to be read and all your appliances to be disconnected on the day of your move. Arrange to take over gas and electricity at your new address, and make sure that all appliances will be properly fitted, plumbed or connected.
- ❑ **Telecommunications** – Notify your telephone and broadband provider and ask them to make the necessary arrangements for a final account at your present address, and for taking over or installing telephone and broadband facilities at your new home.
- ❑ **Post** – Look into re-directing your post for a few months to make sure you receive all relevant correspondence.
- ❑ **Children** – Look into the possibility of your children, especially young children, staying with family or friends on the day of the move.
- ❑ **Pets** – Make arrangements for any pets to be booked into a cattery or kennels if required. Having your pets microchipped is a good idea and if already microchipped, have the address changed to your new one. Your vet can advise on this.

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Change of address – tell companies and organisations that you are moving!

Notify:

- ❑ Employer
- ❑ Inland revenue
- ❑ Local council
- ❑ Banks or Building Societies
- ❑ Credit companies, store cards & other accounts
- ❑ Gas, Electricity and water boards
- ❑ Insurance companies
- ❑ Land / mobile phones
- ❑ Internet and cable / satellite TV providers
- ❑ Doctor, Dentist and Opticians
- ❑ DVLA
- ❑ Veterinary surgery
- ❑ TV Licensing

3 1 WEEK TO GO:

- ❑ **Delivery address** – change delivery address of your Cambridge News, milk, groceries and fuel to your new address as appropriate.
- ❑ **Laundry** – do any last minute laundry that you can – have you arranged for a plumber to disconnect your washing machine correctly?
- ❑ **Kitchen cupboards** – go through your kitchen cupboards and throw out anything not in date. Also check that all jars and bottles are correctly sealed before packing.
- ❑ **Fridges** / **Freezers** – empty and clean out in preparation for moving. If you are moving a freezer and its contents, turn it up to maximum for a couple of days before you move.
- ❑ **Valuables** / **documents** – put these in safe place for moving day

4 2–1 DAYS TO GO:

- ❑ **Packing** – pack a bag for overnight essentials and toiletries and finish all remaining packing into boxes. Remember to label which room each box is destined for.
- ❑ **Snack box** – pack a box for the kitchen to include essentials like tea, coffee and sugar, as well as the kettle and mugs! Also include other snacks as necessary.
- ❑ **Dismantle and disconnect** – take down curtains, fixtures and fittings and disconnect white goods ready for transport.
- ❑ **Outdoor items** – make sure that these are stacked together and ready to be moved.
- ❑ **Mobile** – place your mobile on charge the night before moving and ensure that all relevant people have your number.

5 ON MOVING DAY:

AT YOUR OLD ADDRESS:

- ❑ Strip beds and pack bedding and nightclothes.
- ❑ Finish packing toiletries box.
- ❑ Direct removal firm personnel or friends helping you move as to what needs to be done.
- ❑ Turn off electric appliances.
- ❑ Disconnect cooker.
- ❑ Turn off boiler / central heating.
- ❑ Turn off water.
- ❑ Read gas meter.
- ❑ Read electricity meter.
- ❑ Secure all windows.
- ❑ Lock all doors.
- ❑ Make final checks and leave key as arranged with new owners.

AT YOUR NEW HOME:

- ❑ Open up & have a look around the new house.
- ❑ Locate fuse box, gas and electric meter and stop cock for reference.
- ❑ Take readings on gas, electric and water meters as appropriate.
- ❑ Organise the direction of boxes to appropriate rooms.
- ❑ Check the van after all is unloaded.
- ❑ Make the beds up for the evening.
- ❑ Sit down and relax – unpack the other boxes the next day.

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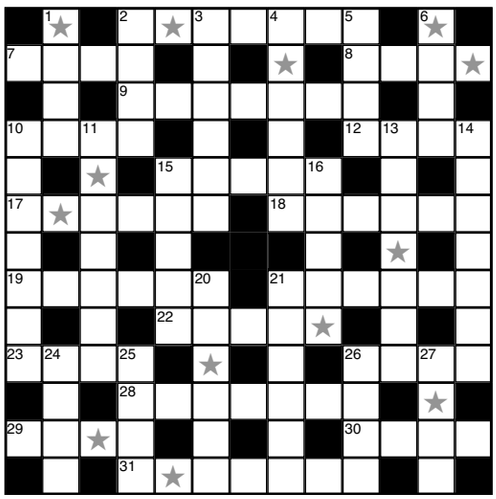
FOUR PAGES OF CROSSWORDS, QUIZZES, SUDOKUS, KAKUROS – AND MUCH, MUCH MORE

STARSPOT CROSSWORD

Can you find the celebrity name hidden in this Starspot Crossword? Complete the crossword in the normal way then make a note of the letters contained in all the squares which are marked with shaded stars. These letters will make an anagram of the name you are looking for.



ACROSS

2. Mounted (7)
7. Unaccompanied (4)
8. Solemn promise (4)
9. Permit (7)
10. Cheerful (4)
12. Rub down (4)
15. Control straps (5)
17. Land forces (6)
18. Entrance (6)
19. Forthright (6)
21. Repeat aloud (6)
22. Hurled (5)
23. Appends (4)
26. Open pie (4)
28. ------- delight (7)
29. Masculine (4)
30. Wheel shaft (4)
31. Cowboy film (7)

DOWN

1. Earth (4)
2. Chilly (4)
3. Units of length (6)
4. Tropical fruit (6)
5. Female rabbits (4)
6. Daze (4)
10. Older relative (inf.) (7)
11. Respected (7)
13. Continent (7)
14. Downward slope (7)
15. Respond (5)
16. Twist (5)
20. Prickles (6)
21. Go to bed (6)
24. Indicator (4)
25. Cook in liquid (4)
26. Comparative conjunction (4)
27. Govern (4)

Each question has four possible answers and is worth from one to 15 points. Circle your chosen answers and keep a record of your points total. Maximum total points 120.

The Accumulator Quiz

QUESTION 1 – for 1 point:
Who was the first Norman king of England?
A Edward
B William
C Norman
D Alfred

QUESTION 2 – for 2 points:
A drink mixing cider and lager is called what?
A Rat bite
B Snakebite
C Flea-bite
D Dog bite

QUESTION 3 – for 3 points:
In which field was Anna Pavlova famous?
A Ballet
B Gymnastics
C Cookery
D Classical piano

QUESTION 4 – for 4 points:
Where are the Falkland Islands situated?
A Pacific Ocean
B Southern Ocean
C Arctic Ocean
D South Atlantic Ocean

QUESTION 5 – for 5 points:
Which was the first British football team to win the European Cup?
A Liverpool
B Celtic
C Manchester United
D Chelsea

QUESTION 6 – for 6 points:
Which actress starred opposite Richard Gere in the film Pretty Woman?
A Julia Roberts
B Cher
C Emma Thompson
D Sally Field

Actress June Whitfield. See Question 10

QUESTION 7 – for 7 points:
Which golfer to date has the greatest number of wins in the four major championships?
A Tiger Woods
B Walter Hagen
C Jack Nicklaus
D Ben Hogan

QUESTION 8 – for 8 points:
What kind of bird is the Liver Bird featured on the coat of arms of Liverpool?
A Cormorant
B Puffin
C Razor-bill
D Chough

QUESTION 9 – for 9 points:
Which US state was named after the wife of King Charles I?
A Maryland
B Virginia
C Louisiana
D Carolina

QUESTION 10 – for 10 points:
Which of these long-running domestic sitcoms starred June Whitfield and Terry Scott as a married couple?
A Beggar My Neighbour
B Never The Twain
C Bless This House
D Happy Ever After

QUESTION 11 – for 11 points:
The devastating Boxing Day tsunami was in which year?
A 2004
B 2005
C 2006
D 2007

QUESTION 12 – for 12 points:
What is the county town of Derbyshire?
A Buxton
B Chesterfield
C Matlock
D Derby

QUESTION 13 – for 13 points:
How many of Henry VIII's children succeeded to the throne?
A One
B Two
C Three
D Four

QUESTION 14 – for 14 points:
From which natural source is the pigment sepia obtained?
A Cuttlefish ink
B Mushroom spores
C Walnut tree sap
D Coal tar

QUESTION 15 – for 15 points:
A tower above a castle gate or drawbridge is called what?
A Bailey
B Barbican
C Barbastelle
D Bastion

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SUDOKU

THERE is just one simple rule in Sudoku. Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9, and so must each 3 x 3 box.

Easy

2	7					8	4	
	4	5					1	
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	1	8	4		7		9	

Moderate

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Difficult

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					6			2
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CROSS CODE

19	15	6	18	4	21	25	4	18	■	18	17	6
1	■	4	■	16	■	16	■	17	■	12	■	4
1	6	16	3	12	17	11	■	11	19	19	7	18
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22	15	12	4	■	20	15	18	■	23	16	14	4
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13	17	18	11	19	18	■	21	16	12	4	18	12
23	■	8	■	12	17	5	17	13	■	■	■	4
4	26	17	12	■	18	17	12	■	16	11	17	13
5	■	1	■	11	■	6	■	10	■	24	■	■
4	26	12	6	16	■	6	19	15	12	17	3	4
3	■	21	■	21	■	19	■	17	■	3	■	9
12	6	9	■	1	17	6	4	2	21	16	11	4

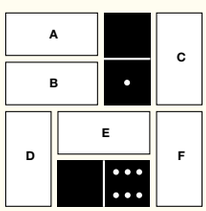
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

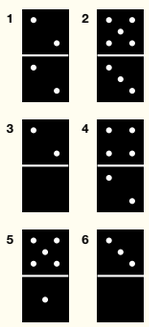
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11 C	12	13 D
14	15	16	17 I	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

Each number in the Cross Code grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. You have three letters in the control grid to start you off. Enter them in the appropriate squares in the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares.
As you get the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and control grid. Check off the alphabetical list of letters as you identify them.

SPOT CHECK

Can you place the six dominoes (right) into the grid below in such a way that the number of spots in all four rows across and all four rows down totals the same?





PATHWORDS

Starting from the central shaded letter, move one letter at a time (up, down, right or left, but not diagonally) to find 14 insects.

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F	N	O	F	K	C	I	Y	A	P	A
R	A	G	L	Y	A	R	D	M	S	T
D	A	C	I	C	L	B	N	W	A	Y
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H	A	S	S	C	T	A	S	T	A	B
C	A	O	R	K	H	E	E	B	G	R
O	M	T	E	K	C	R	L	E	T	E
S	I	T	L	U	A	J	T	E	A	W
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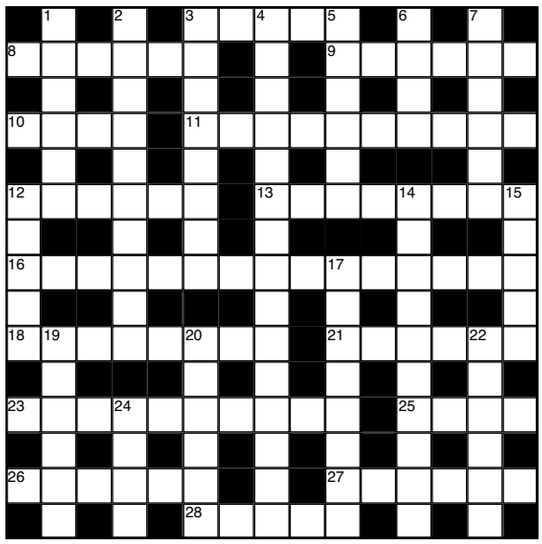
General Knowledge Crossword

Who? .... Why? .... How? When? ..... Where?



ACROSS

3. Shrub with yellow flowers (5)
8. Name given to Jacob after he had wrestled with an angel (6)
9. Make accessible or disclose (6)
10. William ----, Scottish pirate 1645-1701 (4)
11. Public display of paintings etc. (10)
12. Bridge over Grand Canal in Venice (6)
13. Whining beggar who pretended to be a sailor (8)
16. Irresponsible, flighty or gossipy person (15)
18. One who illegally occupies property (8)
21. Vehicle used to travel on snow and ice (6)
23. Claudio ----------, Italian composer of L'Orfeo in 1607 (10)
25. Woven fabric or its texture (4)
26. Long pin holding meat in position (6)
27. Belonging to an epoch of the Tertiary period (6)
28. Well-known and especially distinguished (5)

DOWN

1. Town in Umbria, central Italy, birthplace of St. Francis (6)
2. Large branched candle-holders (10)
3. Informal word for a straitlaced person (8)
4. 1954 film starring Marlon Brando (2,3,10)
5. Capital of Maharashtra, India (6)
6. Long thin narrow strip of wood or metal (4)
7. Representing a sound by imitation (6)
12. William II of England (5)
14. Fabulous monster created by Lewis Carroll (10)
15. Two-masted sailing-vessel (5)
17. Engaged in unconstrained conversation (8)
19. Wallaby found in south-west Australia (6)
20. Archaic or literary word for a public house (6)
22. Capital of Chechen Republic (6)
24. River flowing through Carmarthen (English spelling) (4)

WORD WIZARD

Here is an unusual word with three definitions, only one of which is correct. Can you identify the right definition?

ATHANOR

1) ***An archaic word for a member of a noble family;***
2) ***An alchemist's self-feeding digesting furnace;***
3) ***An obsolete word meaning a council of war, originating from the time of Alfred the Great.***

DIALLING CODES

Telephone dialling pads combine several letters on one key. Here we have encoded several sets of words or items by using numbers rather than letters. Then we have divided them into groups of three characters and run all the names one after another to make your task a little more difficult. Can you crack the code?

1 [ ] ' –	2 ABC	3 DEF
4 GHI	5 JKL	6 MNO
7 PQRS	8 TUV	9 WXYZ

Spaces and any punctuation marks are represented by 1.

1. British poets

945 373 316 936 178 392
731 547 546 417 623 781
287 671 564 616 458 661
395 261 846 627 178 384
317 648 418 466 271 427
391 921 932 87

2. sauces

646 812 878 273 162 966
624 731 243 373 126 564
637 317 277 539 127 753
182 782 731 769 182 227
261 273 231 866 286 196
723 783 7

3. musicals

227 687 351 212 467 871
546 316 552 466 217 469
126 281 843 178 833 681
774 623 138 482 193 781
743 317 867 916 548 371
691 324 715 239

4. children's playthings

632 226 617 381 874 292
531 284 534 641 274 257
126 926 916 883 481 762
546 414 677 317 746 646
418 671 872 461 738 172
253 987 42

5. towns and cities mentioned in the Bible

326 272 871 897 315 378
725 361 429 212 229 566
125 392 637 421 432 766
153 742 461 238 453 436
162 723 212 337 743 221
743 66

6. horse and pony breeds

744 731 467 731 327 866
671 263 258 742 613 743
742 616 878 264 146 578
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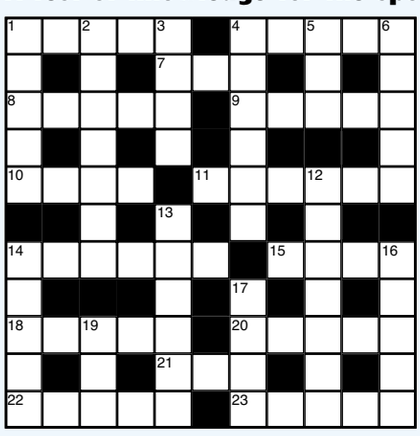
385 263 184 676 844 273
312 722 426

SPORTSWORD

A test of knowledge for the sporting enthusiast



ACROSS

1. ----- Sham, 1000 Guineas winner (5)
4. ----- D'Oliveira, England cricketer (5)
7. Tony ---, snooker's British Open winner in 1989 (3)
8. Snow -----, 1989 Oaks winner (5)
9. ----- Davies, Fulham winger (5)
10. ---- Irvine, Scotland rugby full back (4)
11. Jack ------, scored 434 goals in the Football League from 1946-65 (6)
14. ------ Broncos, rugby league team (6)
15. ---- Overmars, Holland winger (4)
18. To ----- Mou, 2000 Guineas winner (5)
20. ----- Irvine, F1 driver (5)
21. --- Lofthouse, England striker (3)
22. Nationality of Roger Federer (5)
23. ----- Blanco, France rugby full back (5)

DOWN

1. 1988 Olympic pole vault champion (5)
2. & 13 Down. Speedway team based at the Abbey Stadium (7,6)
3. Stephen ----, in golf, The Players Championship winner in 2006 (4)
4. ------ Red Sox, baseball team (6)
5. --- Hammam, Wimbledon FC and Cardiff City owner (3)
6. ----- Wadkins, US Ryder Cup captain (5)
12. Britain's oldest rowing club (7)
13. See 2 Down
14. Toronto Maple -----, ice hockey team (5)
16. ----- Alexandra, Football League club (5)
17. New York ----, baseball team (4)
19. Chris ---, England wing-threequarter (3)

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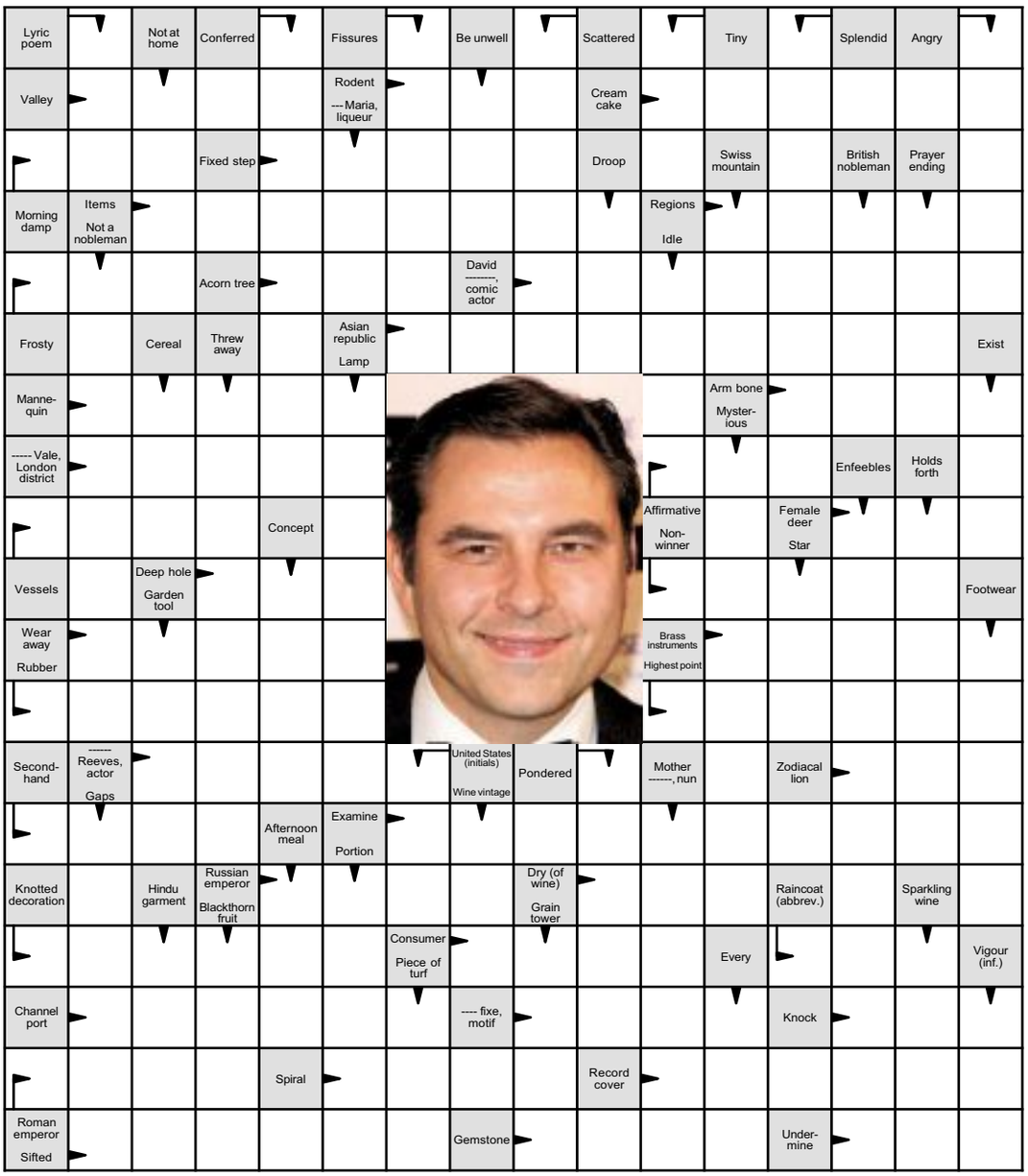
SIGNWORD

In this crossword the clues are printed in what would normally be the 'black' squares. Follow the signs from each clue to find where the word should fit.



CON TRICK

In this crossword we have removed all the vowels and just left the consonants. Can you fill in the gaps, using only the five vowels (A, E, I, O, U) to complete the grid?

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C	H		T				■	S	L			N
	■	B	■	V	■	C	■		■	L	■	N
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COMMON LINK

The answers to the following five questions contain a word or words which have a common theme. Can you find the link?

1. Which battle took place on June 17, 1775, as part of the Siege of Boston?
2. Which English actress played the part of Skylar in the 1997 film Good Will Hunting?
3. Which jazz saxophonist hosted a Radio 2 Sunday record show that ran until his death in 1998?
4. Which musical, starring Marty Wilde, ran for 268 performances in London's West End in 1962?
5. What type of bird was hung round the neck of the Ancient Mariner in Coleridge's poem of that name?

MISSING LINK

Each pair of words has a missing word between them that acts as a link to both (e.g. FRONT – DOOR – MAT). The initial letters of the six answers (reading downwards) will spell out a girl's name.

GOODS	– – –	**GUARD**
WHEAT	– – –	**TRUMPET**
PATNA	– – – –	**WINE**
BRANDING	– – – –	**BRIDGE**
BOTTLE	– – –	**DOG**
LEAP	– – – –	**LING**

MAKE A DATE

In which year did all three of these significant historical events take place?

1. Charles Darwin publishes his work The Origin Of Species.
2. Drilling begins at the USA's first oil well in Titusville, Pennsylvania.
3. Devon and Cornwall are linked by rail with the opening of the Royal Albert Bridge.

WAS IT? a) 1839; b) 1849; c) 1859; d) 1869; e) 1879.

.... and in which year did all three of these events take place?

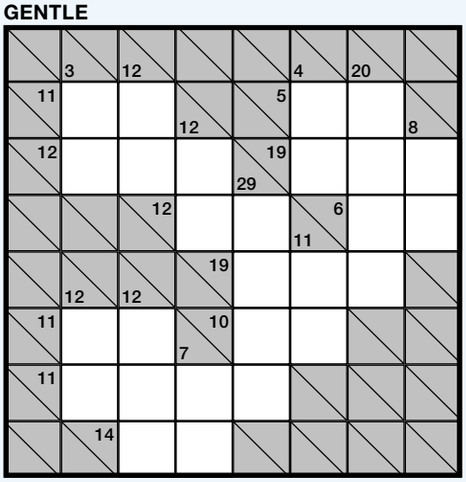
1. Henry Ford produces the first Model T automobile.
2. The first Daily Mail Ideal Home Exhibition opens at Olympia.
3. Winston Churchill marries Clementine Hozier at St Margaret's, Westminster.

WAS IT? a) 1903; b) 1908; c) 1913; d) 1918; e) 1923.

KAKURO

Fill in the blank squares with numbers so that each horizontal or vertical line adds up to the total given in the box either to the left or above it. You can use the numbers 1 to 9, but only once in any run. The number may be used again in the same row or column but as part of another run.

GENTLE



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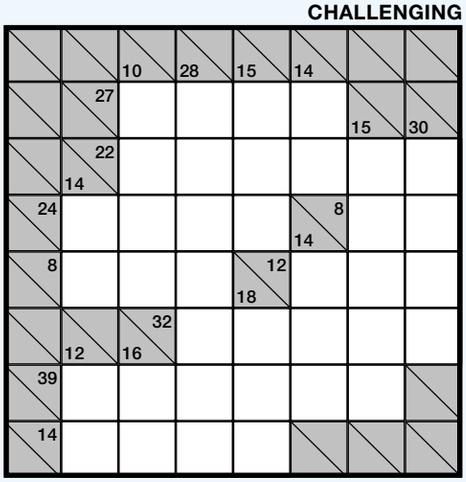

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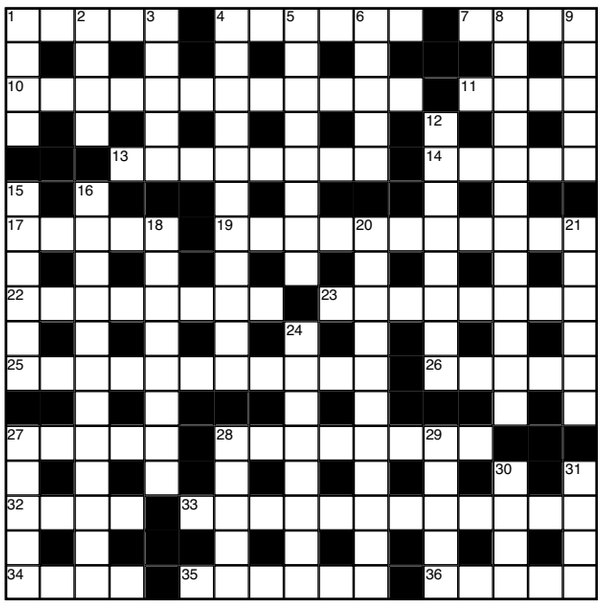
CRYPTIC CLUES

ACROSS

1. Man who appears on the first of every month from July to November! (5)
4. A revolutionary way to go round the envelope (6)
7. Stomach's rejecting sooty matter (4)
10. Blew barefoot coming from old tall building (5,2,5)
11. Bargain cut (4)
13. Ecclesiastical building extremely lofty (8)
14. Towel obtained from laundry erroneously (5)
17. Sensational cover put round ancient city (5)
19. Rags exchanged by customer for jumper (11)
22. Embezzle, but don't start to take risks (8)
23. Got into a bed, unwell (8)
25. Behave honourably on the field perhaps (4,3,4)
26. Funeral song, say, in the cathedral (5)
27. One thinks of home supporter first (5)
28. Spoil single deep yellow flower (8)
32. Little woman elected to become a member (4)
33. Crossing place for democrats (7,5)
34. Some awful name given to skeletal part (4)
35. He acts out of character being modest (6)
36. Poet found yeast fermenting (5)

DOWN

1. In France I hold you up to get some fibre (4)
2. Broadcast about snow (4)
3. Point up (5)
4. Great stuff distributed with energy about female campaigner (11)
5. Can mocha be transported by carriage driver? (8)
6. Each single girl on the railway (5)
8. Wheel of fortune for arachnid? (5-7)
9. Make light of getting to the point (5)
12. Publicly recommend legal representative (8)
15. Lavish friends turned up (4-2)
16. Announcement made from Roman capitol (12)
18. How one might be weakening the spirit (8)
20. Men beg and curse about being forced under water (11)
21. Fish caught in a flash may have this look (3-3)
24. Settle on luxury car for groups of employees (8)
27. Sail up to Oxford University for a jewel (5)
28. Walk slowly and aimlessly to low church (5)
29. Try to influence officials in the corridor (5)
30. Carbon monoxide to a degree can produce it (4)
31. Man shortly has to go after cheerleader (4)



QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

1. Skewered meat (5)
4. Disturb by touch (6)
7. Russian ruler (4)
10. Amnesia (4,2,6)
11. Toe the line (4)
13. Cheapest accommodation (8)
14. Creature in Scandinavian mythology (5)
17. Sailing vessel (5)
19. Stingy (5-6)
22. Answer (8)
23. Allotted (8)
25. Interpret in the wrong way (11)
26. Magical being (5)
27. Copper alloy (5)
28. Trade (8)
32. Disinclined (4)
33. Complaint (12)
34. Stinging insect (4)
35. Sturdy (6)
36. Confusion (3-2)

DOWN

1. Pleated tartan skirt (4)
2. Bankrupt (inf.) (4)
3. Raise morale (5)
4. Stormy (11)
5. Crusade (8)
6. Lager (anag.) (5)
8. Distinctive landmass (12)
9. Regal (5)
12. Conspicuous (8)
15. Source of plaster of Paris (6)
16. Old Testament book (12)
18. Small bird (8)
20. Insipidly (11)
21. Fairground car (6)
24. Spicy (8)
27. Under (5)
28. Sign of omission (5)
29. Abyss (5)
30. Unlucky influence (4)
31. Break suddenly (4)

WORDSEARCH

Can you find the ten freshwater fish hidden in this wordsearch? The answers can be found running backwards or forwards, horizontal, vertical or diagonal.

1. BARBEL
2. BROWN TROUT
3. GOLDFISH
4. GRAYLING
5. GUDGEON
6. MINNOW
7. STICKLEBACK
8. WELS CATFISH
9. WILD CARP
10. ZANDER

L	E	B	R	A	B	K	I	W	E	Z	Y
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TRAINS OF THOUGHT

What words link the following definitions?

_ _ O _ _ _

1. a small farmer;
2. the social rank below gentleman;
3. a foot soldier;
4. someone performing loyal service.

_ _ S _ _ _ _ _

1. to remove;
2. relating to ideas;
3. having geometrical rather than natural representation.

TRANSFORMERS

Add the letters of the first word to make a new word with the additional letter(s) provided.

Clue: Annul the game in court.

_ _ _ _ _ + S
= S _ _ _ _ _

Clue: Torture is a big part of the course.

_ _ _ _ + T
= T _ _ _ _

ALL THE ANSWERS

Giant Double Crossword

Cryptic: Across – 1 Jason; 4 Sachet; 7 Smut; 10 Tower of Babel; 11 Snip; 13 Church; 14 Dryer; 17 Lurid; 19 Grasshopper; 22 Peculate; 23 Obtained; 25 Play the game; 26 Elegy; 27 Brain; 28 Marigold; 32 Join; 33 Polling booth; 34 Ulna; 35 Chaste; 36 Yeats.

Down – 1 Jute; 2 Sown; 3 North; 4 Suffragette; 5 Coachman; 6 Eery; 8 Money-spinner; 9 Taper; 12 Advocate; 15 Slap-up; 16 Proclamation; 18 Dilating; 20 Submergence; 21 Redeye; 24 Payrolls; 27 Bijou; 28 Moock; 29 Lobby; 30 Coma; 31 Chas.

Quick: Across – 1 Kebab; 4 Tickle; 7 Tsar; 10 Loss of memory; 11 Obey; 13 Steerage; 14 Toll; 17 Yacht; 19 Tight-fisted; 22 Solution; 23 Assigned; 25 Misconstrue; 26 Genie; 27 Brass; 28 Commerce; 32 Loth; 33 Protestation; 34 Wasp; 35 Stocky; 36 Mix-up.

Down – 1 Kilt; 2 Bust; 3 Boost; 4 Tempestuous; 5 Campaign; 6 Large; 8 Subcontinent; 9 Royal; 12 Striking; 15 Gypsum; 16 Ecclesiastes; 18 Tittlessly; 20 Tastelessly; 21 Dodgem; 24 Aromatic; 27 Below; 28 Caret; 29 Chasm; 30 Jinx; 31 Snap.

Trains of Thought

1. Yeoman.
2. Abstract.

Transformers

1. Quash + S = Squash.
2. Rack + T = Track.

Missing Link

van; ear; rice; iron; top; year. Name: Verity.

Common Link

1 The Battle of Bunker Hill; 2 Minnie Driver; 3 Benny Green; 4 Bye Bye Birdie; 5 An albatross. Common link: Golfing terms.

Pathwords

cockroach; grasshopper; leather-jacket; mosquito; bluebottle; stag beetle; water boatman; blackfly; cicada; dragonfly; ladybird; mayfly; katydid; wasp.

Sportsword

Across – 1 Bosra; 4 Basil; 7 Meo; 8 Birdie; 9 Simon; 10 Andy; 11 Rowley; 14 London; 15 Marc; 18 Agon; 20 Eddie; 21 Nat; 22 Swiss; 23 Serge.

Down – 1 Bubka; 2 Swindon; 3 Ames; 4 Boston; 5 Sam; 6 Lanny; 12 Leander; 13 Robins; 14 Leafs; 16 Crewe; 17 Mets; 19 Oti.

Make a Date

No 2 is correct. An athanor is an alchemist's furnace.

Spot Check

A = 4; B = 2; C = 6; D = 3; E = 1; F = 5.

Dialling Codes

1. Wilfred Owen; Rudyard Kipling; Robert Burns; John Milton; Dylan Thomas; Stevie Smith; Thomas Hardy; WB Yeats.
2. mint; custard; mayonnaise; cheese; bolognese; parsley; apple; tartare; soy; Tabasco; bread; tomato; Worcester.

Accumulator Quiz

1 – B; 2 – B; 3 – A; 4 – D; 5 – B; 6 – A; 7 – C; 8 – A; 9 – A; 10 – D; 11 – A; 12 – C; 13 – C; 14 – A; 15 – B.

Starspot Crossword

Across – 2 Climbed; 7 Solo; 8 Oath; 9 Licence; 10 Glad; 12 Sand; 15 Reins; 17 Armies; 18 Access; 19 Direct; 21 Recite; 22 Threw; 23 Adds; 26 Tart; 28 Turkish; 29 Male; 30 Axle; 31 Western.

Down – 1 Soil; 2 Cold; 3 Inches; 4 Banana; 5 Does; 6 Stun; 10 Grandma; 11 Admired; 13 America; 14 Descent; 15 React; 16 Screw; 20 Thorns; 21 Retire; 24 Dial; 25 Stew; 26 Than; 27 Rule.

Star Name – RUSSELL HOWARD

General Knowledge Crossword

Across – 3 Broom; 8 Israel; 9 Unlock; 10 Kilda; 11 Exhibition; 12 Rialto; 13 Squatter; 21 Sleigh; 23 Montserrat; 25 Woolf; 26 Skewer; 27 Eocene; 28 Noted.

Down – 1 Assisi; 2 Candelabra; 3 Bluenose; 4 On The Waterfront; 5 Mumbai; 6 Slat; 7 Echoic; 12 Rufus; 14 Jabberwock; 15 Ketch; 17 Gossiped; 19 Quokka; 20 Tavern; 22 Grozny; 24 Towy.

Word Wizard

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Dacia dishes do-anything charm

THE once maligned Skoda brand has been turned in to a huge triumph thanks to investment from Volks–wagen, and one would imagine thoughts of a similar level of success were going through Renault's mind when they took control of Dacia in 1999, *writes Phil Huff.*

Fourteen years later and the Romanian brand is finally ready to launch in the UK, spearheading their cost-conscious attack with the Dacia Sandero and Duster.

Slightly larger than a Ford Fiesta, the Sandero is a compact hatchback starting at just £5,995 for the Access model. There simply is not a cheaper car on the market, but does that make it good value?

Out on the roads around Cambourne the Sandero felt very reasonable. It's certainly comfortable enough for most, although there can be a fair bit of noise coming into the cabin from the engine and tyres. It goes, turns and stops without fuss, never doing any of them quite as quickly as you might expect from a Fiesta or Corsa, but without any drama.

It's all much the same with the Sandero's big brother, the Duster. This sits on the same platform as the Sandero, another move towards cutting manufacturing costs, but is modified to produce a compact 4x4 crossover that comes in at 4.3 metres long. It's aimed squarely at the Nissan Qashqai and Skoda Yeti, or would be if it also didn't undercut them by a significant margin.

As with the Sandero, I tried the Access trim level. For the four wheel drive version tested you would need to pay just £10,995, but by keeping things as just two wheel drive a further £2,000 can be saved. Once again you're limited to white at this level, but the full range of colours open up if you spend a little more.

Driving the Duster feels remarkably familiar – safe and predictable, but there's real off-road capability with the Duster too. It might not be challenging the latest Range Rover, but it will be able to get you out of some very sticky situations. However, by sticking with the cheaper two-wheel drive option you do get a bigger boot.

It is the interior that marks the biggest difference between the two, the stretched platform offering much more space for occupants. The boot is also quite sizeable, with folding rear seats making it a remarkably practical proposition.

Both cars are designed to be cheap to buy and run. There's no pretending from Dacia that they're something they're not. There is a palpable air of honesty about the cars, the budget price tag being worn like a badge of honour.

For all their flaws, I'm convinced. I'll have a base model Duster please.

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Round-up

> Rugby union

Reeves is the hat-trick hero

MICHAEL Reeves pounced for a hat-trick of tries as Newmarket's forwards laid the foundations of a 34-24 win over Crusaders in Greene King IPA Eastern Counties One.

In a strong start, Reeves got his first try from a pushover scrum and had his second after a 22m break. He kicked one conversion.

Newmarket increased their lead when Jimmy Adams intercepted on his own line to sprint the length of the pitch to score. Reeves' conversion made it 19-0.

Crusaders hit back with an unconverted try, but Reeves had his hat-trick after a bulldozing run, with Pat Kearney converting.

The visitors got another unconverted try, but Adam Smith got the final try of the half after Matt Carter's sniping run down the blind side to make it 31-10.

After the break, Newmarket's Robbie Holland was red-carded, leaving them with 14 for the last 35 minutes.

Crusaders scored two quick tries as Newmarket started to wobble, but they regained their composure to defend with more structure. And they had the final say with three minutes remaining through a Kearney penalty.

■ For the second year running Newmarket under-10s won the Cambridge County Cup.

They began the group stages with a 35-0 win over Huntingdon thanks to two tries from George Franklin and further touchdowns from George Howard, Gabe Jones, Harry Cooper, Jonathan Rees and Fabian Dodds.

Cooper scored a hat-trick against Royston as Newmarket ran out 40-5 winners. Jones scored a brace with other tries coming from Howard, Peter Lonsdale and Archie Parker-Furze.

CUP JOY: The Newmarket under-10s squad celebrate their County Cup win CP

In their final group match, Newmarket beat St Neots 35-5 with tries from Jones, Lonsdale, Franklin, Howard, Parker-Furze, Luke Nelmes and Sam Skingley.

A 10-5 win over Cambridge followed in the semi-finals thanks to tries from Skingley and Jones.

And in final, Newmarket ran out 25-5 winners over Ely. Franklin dotted down twice while Cooper, Jones and Parker-Furze also scored.

■ The under-seven Oranges performed superbly to reach the semi-finals where they were beaten by Saffron Walden.

They began with a 55-40 win over Peterborough and followed it up with a 35-35 draw with St Neots and a 40-10 loss to Wendens Ambo Blacks.

In the semi-finals they lost 40-25 to Saffron Walden.

■ Newmarket under-nine Greens failed to reach the knock-out stages. They lost their opening game against Wendens Ambo Reds 15-5, Isaac Dear scoring their consolation, and then lost 20-10 to Royston. Dear again touched down, with Noah Wall also scoring a try.

In their final game, the Greens lost 40-10 to Huntingdon, Dear and Wall again scoring their tries.

Newmarket under-nine Blacks lost their opening match against Cambridge Blue 10-5 with Matthew Addison scoring their only try.

Tries from Edward Newton, Josh Jones and Casey Feehan secured a 15-0 win over Saffron Walden, and they beat St Ives 30-0 as Harry Haylock (2), Jones (2), Feehan and Riley Palmer dotted down.

■ Impressive teamwork helped Newmarket under-14s beat Sudbury 32-5.

Tries from Luke Healy, Hugh French and George Borakis put Newmarket 15-5 up at half time and in the second half Owen Pearson, Michael Olaifa and Thomas MacRae extended the lead. A conversion from Alex Taday completed the scoring.

> Hockey

Newmarket close in on promotion

NEWMARKET came from behind to see off City of Peterborough V 4-2 and all but secure a third consecutive promotion.

Captain Will Wilson equalised with a penalty flick before half time in the East Men's League, Division 3NW encounter, before their opponents made it all square after Simon Harrington had forced an own goal. But Newmarket, who are six points ahead of second-placed Cambridge South and have a vastly superior goal difference with two matches left, were not to be denied and Mike Skelton deflected in a third before Chris Leggett swept home their fourth.

■ In the Cambridgeshire Ladies' League, Premier Division, Jade Atkinson helped keep the score down as Newmarket suffered a 3-0 defeat to St Ives II.

The keeper was aided by defenders Jazz Wombwell, Zoe Bailey and Louise Downs.

■ Loren Davenport scored a hat-trick as Newmarket II beat Ely II 4-0 in Division One. Verity MacMahon also scored.

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> Swimming

Beth strikes gold

BETH Sampher was the star performer for Newmarket Swimming Club at the first week of the Suffolk County Championships, winning gold in the 50m butterfly.

Swimming in the under-13 age group, Sampher touched home first in a time of 32.47sec, which also ensured her qualification for the under-14 age group final.

She also finished fourth in the under-13 100m butterfly and set personal best times in the 100m individual medley, 200m backstroke and 200m freestyle.

Clubmate Henry Newell also came home with medals after securing silver in the under-10 boys' 100m freestyle and bronze in the 50m backstroke. He took eight seconds off his personal best in the freestyle and also set a PB in the backstroke.

In the other girls' races, Holly Sampher finished fourth in the 50m freestyle and 50m butterfly in addition to setting PBs in the 100m individual medley and 200m backstroke. Other PBs were west by Safi Axon-Coates (50m freestyle, 50m butterfly, 100m individual medley), Sophie Bellwood (50m freestyle, 200m freestyle, 200m backstroke) and Charlie Withers (200m freestyle).

In the boys' races, Fred Kirk was fourth in the 50m breaststroke and he set a PB in the 200m individual medley.

Other PBs were recorded by Harry Saunders (50m backstroke), Alex Swarbrick (50m breaststroke), Thomas Allison (200m individual medley) and Alyx Hatton (100m freestyle).

The results left Newmarket in ninth place overall out of 13 teams, with the next round of the championships due to take place this weekend.

> Athletics

Robin's run earns a trophy

MARATHON training continues to take over many Newmarket Joggers' weekends as they take on long runs.

Last weekend was no exception as four Joggers headed to the village of Offord near Huntingdon to compete in the Nice Tri 18mile, a two-lap undulating route which at times had the runners victim to strong headwinds, hail and rain.

Finishing first for the club and third overall was Robin Clifford in 1hr 54min.

This great run saw Clifford win the first Mv40 trophy as well as putting him in good stead for another tilt at the London Marathon next month.

Also in marathon training, for the Halstead Marathon in May, is Nik Chapman who was next over the line in 2:24.

He was swiftly followed by his wife Bee Chapman who is also training for Halstead and who finished in 2:35 for a personal best by more than seven minutes. Also finishing for club was Carolynn Anderson in 2:37.

Another quartet of Joggers ran in the Thetford Forest 10k.

First home for the club in 42min 13sec was Jonathan Muffett who was 12th overall out of 191 runners and third Mv40.

Next over the line was Ursula Ransom in 44.16 which saw her pick up 1st lady overall prize.

Clive Purbrook finished in 47.58 to win the 1st Mv50 trophy. His wife Belinda Schofield finished in 53.09 to claim the first Fv50 trophy.

A lone jogger, Denys Olefir, ran in the St Clare Hospice 10k in Hastingwood. Olefir put in another sterling performance to finish second overall in a time of 35.37 and is all set for Brighton Marathon in a few weeks' time.

A muddy good time

NEWMARKET Cycling & Triathlon Club will run a cross-country race, The Lode Muddy Marvel, this Sunday.

The race begins at 11am. The course is five miles of mainly flat farm tracks. There is also a 1.5-mile Childrens' race.

Registration is at Lode Social Club, with car parking provided by Anglesey Abbey.

All proceeds will go to St Nicholas Hospice.

For more info go to http://www.newmarketcyclingtriathlon.co.uk/races.html

We've done it again!

Newmarket Rugby Club's under-10s team retain the Cambridge County Cup

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> Motorsport

Sebring success for racer Jarvis

OLIVER Jarvis described winning the Mobil 1 Sebring 12 Hours as a dream come true as his sensational start to the year continued.

The Newmarket driver joined up with reigning world endurance champions and last year's Le Mans 24 Hours winners Marcel Fassler and Benoit Treluyer for his first race at the Florida circuit, and played his part superbly with inspired stints in the Audi R18 e-tron quattro.

The trio were locked in a fierce battle with their sister car driven by Allan McNish, Tom Kristensen and Lucas Di Grassi, for the entire race, claiming victory by less than 10 seconds.

"What a start to the season," said Jarvis, who has already enjoyed a GT class win at the Rolex 24 in Daytona this year. "Winning Daytona was very special but to come here and join these guys and win on my first outing in Sebring is a dream come true.

"To stand on the top step of the podium on what looks like being Audi's last race in an LMP car at Sebring was very special."

Jarvis said the victory underlined his growing stature as an Audi sports car driver.

"It was an important race for me," he said. "It was great to establish myself as an Audi sports car driver and show I'm capable of winning with them.

"People will hopefully see I was able to race against the likes of Allan McNish and Tom Kristensen, fit in with a top team and be on the same level as them."

ON THE TOP STEP: Oliver Jarvis (second left) on the podium CP

> Football

Bugg bags the winner

Newmarket Town 1
Downham Market 0
THURLOW NUNN LEAGUE, FIRST DIVISION

STEVE Bugg's somewhat fortunate goal against Downham Market proved to be decisive in a scrappy encounter at Cricketfield Road.

The goal came in the 35th minute when his cross drifted towards the far post, struck the inside of the upright and bounced into the net off the Downham keeper as he attempted to make the save.

There were few chances for either side on a difficult pitch but in the second half Tony Brown hit the crossbar three times for Newmarket with headers from corners.

In the end, the solitary goal was enough for Newmarket to claim three points and take over at the top of the league table.

"It was not a good game," said Newmarket joint-manager Kevin Grainger. "The pitch was a bit bumpy as it was too wet to roll it. Downham came to spoil things and we never got out of first gear. It was a disappointing performance."

■ Mildenhall Town played out a 1-1 draw with second-placed Walsham-le-Willows in the Premier Division.

Allicion Blake scored for Town, who are fifth in the table.

> Racing: Round-up

Botti has concerns over Lincoln ground

MARCO Botti has warned the ground will need to dry up at Doncaster for Solar Deity to take his chance in Saturday's William Hill Lincoln.

Now moved into his purpose-built stables, Prestige Place on the Snailwell Road in Newmarket, Botti (right) showed off the colt on Monday morning along with his other entry, Guest Of Honour, who is unlikely to make the cut.

Both have flourished throughout the testing winter, with Solar Deity winning four of his five all-weather starts, including the Listed Lady Wulfruna Stakes at Wolverhampton earlier this month.

Meanwhile Guest Of Honour, who is also owned by Giuliano Manfredini, scored twice and finished a narrow second in the Lincoln Trial on the same card at Dunstall Park.

"Both would want good ground – maybe good to soft but not too soft," said Botti. "I don't think Guest Of Honour will get in, so he will probably go for the consolation race instead.

"We knew last year that Solar Deity always ran well on the all-weather and after he won the Listed race, there's nothing left for him.

"He looks in fabulous order but he just wouldn't want the ground too soft."

The sponsors offer 16-1 for a Solar Deity victory at this stage.

Market leaders Nine Realms, Lahaag and Captain Bertie also stood their ground among the 71 remaining at the five-day stage.

Nine Realms has had just three lifetime starts for William Haggas, while Lahaag has had four for John Gosden.

■ Jakkalberry has been ruled out of the Dubai World Cup meeting through injury.

Botti's recruit won a Group Two over a mile and a half at Meydan earlier this month but has already returned to Newmarket.

■ Two of John Gosden's Guineas entries could tackle Classic trials at next month's Craven meeting at Newmarket.

Ghurair, the Elusive Quality colt who landed the £500,000 Tattersalls Millions Two-Year-Old Trophy on his final start, is a possible type for the Qipco 2000 Guineas, while Winsili is his 1000 Guineas hope if she can build on her second to Lovely Pass in an Ascot conditions race.

"Ghurair is doing fine, and will maybe go to the Craven meeting, we'll see," Gosden said.

"Winsili's in good form. She could well go there too, the Nell Gwyn is the obvious race."

■ Roger Varian is keen to take his Winter Derby winner Farraaj off around Europe this season, with an international campaign on the horizon.

Third in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf as a youngster, his three-year-old campaign was restricted to just two runs.

However, Varian has got him fit early this season and hopes to pick up some nice prizes abroad with the son of Dubai Destination.

"He is a four-year-old gelding and we know he travels well, having been to the Breeders' Cup and to Italy and run with credit on both occasions," said the Newmarket trainer.

"There are no targets yet, but there are some good prizes to be won overseas later in the season."

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